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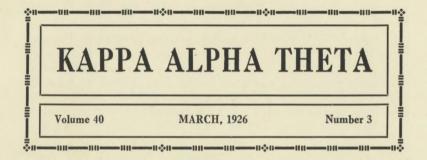


You lift your cup on high For blessings from the sky—

For rain and mist and sun, When spring has just begun.

Your purple, gold and white Make my drab garden bright.

> Grace Coburn Smith Sigma Kappa Triangle



NATIONAL PANHELLENIC CONGRESS

Résumé

Inasmuch as the report of the National Panhellenic congress is included in this issue of the *Journal*, I am going to suppose that you will turn to it for the actual business of that conference held in Dallas, Texas, January 4 to 8.

It was quite difficult for the bell boys, waitresses, chamber-maids—yes, even the guests of the Baker hotel to understand just what the National Panhellenic congress involved. One "knowledgous" gentleman explained to his companion that it was a meeting of all the sororities and fraternities in the United States! while a waitress in the coffee shop was quite in awe of "those educated ladies!" Speculation ran higher and higher but the coffee shop waitress, even in her ignorance, came closer to the truth than any other speculator. The most delightful part of the congress was one's constant contact with intelligence!

The Editor's conference took place Monday afternoon, and the editor's of twenty fraternity publications were either present or represented. A valuable exchange of ideas took place and the similarity of problems caused each editor's heart to be somewhat comforted. The discussion was continued at the editor's dinner following the afternoon conference. Business sessions opened, formally, on Tuesday morning with Dr May Agness Hopkins in the chair. It often occurred to me that if our college Panhellenics might listen just around the corner during N.P.C. and might see how earnestly each delegate is applying herself for the sake of the college organizations, the result would be an astoundingly increased cooperation between the two organizations.

Delegates, fortunate enough to have alumnae chapters in Dallas were entertained at luncheons on Tuesday noon, and being among the fortunates, Mrs Lebrecht, Miss Green and I were royally entertained by the Dallas chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta.

Dr Valeria Parker of New York at an open meeting on Tuesday evening, spoke on American social hygiene. On Wednesday morning the delegates set forth in motor busses for Fort Worth. Business sessions were continued in the Texas hotel. At noon we were the guests of the Fort Worth Panhellenic at luncheon. Covered wagons, miniature sheep ranches, bales of cotton, cowboy ballads and negro melodies served to make it a charming affair.

Miss Marion Mullins, Kappa Delta, was hostess at a tea at the Fort Worth Woman's club, following a beautiful drive about the city. Fort Worth Thetas, delightfully entertained the Theta delegates at a dinner at the woman's club before our return to Dallas.

Members of the Dallas Panhellenic proved to be most perfect hostesses. Each afternoon at 4:30 a generous number of cars was provided and many long restful drives about that splendid city were indulged in by the visitors. After the Thursday morning session Panhellenic further gave evidence of its hospitality by inviting us all to a luncheon at the Dallas Country club. Mr John Perez, ably represented the Interfraternity conference, by an address on Thursday evening.

Following the business sessions on Friday came the banquet, a gorgeous and fitting termination to a most successful National Panhellenic congress.

The actual business of the congress is contained in the minutes of that meeting but I cannot refrain from picking out a few high lights for your immediate information. They are: the admission of Alpha Delta Theta to full membership in N.P.C.; the adoption of a definite policy regarding dual membership through its refusal to admit Theta Upsilon to full membership; the provision for a definite program for strengthening the cooperation between the National organization and the college Panhellenics; the adoption of a plan to strengthen relationship between the conference of Deans and the National Panhellenic, and more interesting things which I will leave to the reader to sift out for herself.

All this business was accomplished and far more, but the greatest personal good derived from this National Panhellenic or from any National Panhellenic is the interesting exchange of ideas and ideals, the personal contact and the strong formation

of lasting friendships with those who represent fraternities other than your own.

Margaret Killen Banta

Reflections

Having been a visitor at three sessions of the National Panhellenic congress I am supposed to be qualified to give some impressions, at least, of them and their work. It may be said that I have considerable nerve to tell about something that I have never seen from the inside as of course no mere man would have any place in the sessions of an organization of this kind. Perhaps I have, but to my mind not all of the value of N.P.C. comes from its formal deliberations; from the discussions which take place on the floor of its meetings.

No one, not even the most exacting critic, can but agree that the N.P.C. has accomplished a great deal of good during the period of its existence. Some things can be enumerated and it is unnecessarv for me to record them here, but it is the intangible things that cannot be enumerated or readily thought of even by those most vitally concerned, in which a body like N.P.C. performs its greatest service. We learn from one another and whether we are conscious of it or not really makes no difference. I remember once talking to a representative of a fraternity which had for a long time stayed out of the Interfraternity conference because it is or was fundamentally opposed to the idea of discussing its problems with others. It was on the train going to the annual session of the conference and he told me that he was going to be the first representative of his fraternity at the I.F.C.; that they had decided to go in. I asked him if they expected to get any value out of their membership in the conference. He replied, "Frankly no, but its the decent thing to do." My own idea is that this man and his fraternity really got more real good out of the conference than any one else. I know that he and his ideas were a valuable addition to the discussions in the meetings.

N.P.C. got under way much more smoothly and in a more efficient manner than the Interfraternity conference. Woman like, its leaders approached their problems directly, called a spade a spade and tried to get at the root of their difficulties. The men spent five years shaking hands and learning that the other fellow did not actually wear horns as he had always supposed. They are making progress from year to year but they probably never will have the cohesive group which the N.P.C. actually has.

There have been times when even its staunchest adherents have wondered whether there could be any cohesion, whether any common ground could ever be found for the many conflicting ideas and rules of the various individual groups. Because there are so many diverse opinions there is a limit beyond which the N.P.C. or any similar organization can go in its laws and findings.

In the final analysis, the value of such bodies is the mingling of ideas, the making of acquaintances which build faith in one another, and the establishing of public opinion which will tend to prevent infractions of rules or breaches of faith. The problem of the future is to successfully transmit these to the inexperienced undergraduate.

George Banta, Jr. Phi Delta Theta

LIBRARY WORK AS A VOCATION

The status of the librarian has changed from that of a jealous custodian of books to the eager and interested dispenser of books.

That this may be done with dispatch, the books must first be made accessible, viz: ordered, classified, catalogued and shelved. The books themselves are then ready to deliver their various messages, whether they be inspirational, informational, or recreational. If the librarian possesses the master key, by virtue of her training, experience, love and understanding of books and human being, she will have the privilege of unlocking these treasure storehouses. The two sources of knowledge are men and books—and efficiency is linking up the two.

Some one has aptly described library work as an altruistic calling, with sometimes, and happily so, a fighting edge. Consciously so when there is the reaching out to interest people who have never been in the habit of reading and to lead others into new and more profitable fields. This done by force of personality and human contact, the true librarian should be able to evaluate the contents of any book to suit the purpose of the reader.

What a joy to have the opportunity of guiding the youth to the realization of a dormant aspiration or of an awakened dream

of beauty.

He who gives a child a book Gives that child a sweeping look Through its pages Down the ages; Gives that child a vision wide As the skies where stars Anchored in, abide The love of him.

Iva C. Watson, Beta Gamma

CONVENTION

Why attend convention?

And why should you go to convention? Because it will revive your enthusiasm—if you are an alumna; because it will be a fitting climax to college life—if you are a senior; because it will give you splendid inspiration for your last year in the chapter—if you are a junior; because it will enable you to be of real value to your own group—if you are a sophomore; because it will be the one magic touch to make you understand the true strength and meaning of Kappa Alpha Theta—if you are a freshman. And what will you carry away with you? A renewed vigor and loyalty, a greater love for your fraternity, a closer cementing of old ties, the joy of new friendships and—memories! Come to convention.

The above paragraph is not original copy, though it appears without quotation marks. Among exchange clippings in the editorial file were three copies of this paragraph that varied only as to the word "alumna" and the name of the fraternity. A two hour search through the exchange files failed to reveal which had been the original producer, so we insert the name of our own fraternity and hereby thank both Gamma Phi Beta's Crescent and Sigma Chi's Bulletin (as well as Alpha Omicron Pi's Exchange section) for so well expressing what we think, too.



SAN FRANCISCO FERRY LANDING

Convention delegates

"Choosing your delegate is one of the most important duties to be considered by your chapter." "Your delegate will represent to the rest of the fraternity your chapter 'type.' Do not send a girl to convention simply because you feel she deserves the honor since some one else was elected president or received other recognition. Disregard personal feelings and choose the young women whom you consider most representative of your group and who can also bring back the greatest amount of inspiration and national information to you. Send some one who is not afraid to rise on convention floor and present your problems and ideas; choose some one who is a quick thinker and who can make decisions wisely."—Pi Beta Phi, Arrow.

Also some one who makes friends quickly and is a good mixer, for convention lasts but five days and the "girl whom it takes time to know and appreciate" has departed before she is known and appreciated, leaving all wondering "if all that chapter are so

passive, or so high-hat."

.Convention purpose

Although we may not realize it fully, the convention really molds the future of the fraternity. The policies which are formed there must prove constructive, the governing laws must prove formative.—Pi Kappa Phi, Star and Lamp.

Hotel rates

This month I can give you some figures. They will be rather general and scattering, but they will suffice to serve as a basis upon which to form estimates for the amount of money you will have to beg, borrow or earn honestly before June 26.

The Clift hotel has made a very generous reduction in their

rates to casual visitors. They are as follows:

. \$8.00 a day, one person to a room.

\$6.00 and \$7.00 a day, two persons to a room.

\$6.00 a day, three persons to a room. \$5.50 a day, four persons to a room.

Each room has a bath, and each bed is single. Some of the rooms are plenty large enough to accommodate three and four girls comfortably. The rates are American plan (three meals a day) and will be extended to Theta visitors for as long as they choose to remain after convention, provided that the visitor makes reservation for such added stay at the same time that she makes her convention reservation. A big convention of Advertizing men

is scheduled to meet in San Francisco the week after our convention, so that accommodations may not be available unless reserved in advance.

Railroad fares

Here are some Summer Tourist fares (ninety days tickets) to California. These fares include a return trip on a diverse route, including Los Angeles and San Diego, if you wish. For a return by way of the Pacific Northwest add approximately \$15, and for a side trip to the Grand Canon, add the same.

New York City, \$142.62; Indianapolis, \$100.00; Cincinnati, \$105.65; Detroit, \$106.00; Pittsburgh, \$117.35; Chicago, \$90.30; Omaha, \$75.60; St. Louis, \$85.58; Denver, \$67.20; Portland,

\$45.42.

Pullman fares

The rate for one lower Pullman berth one way: New York. \$32.63; Indianapolis, \$25.50; Cincinnati, \$26.25; Detroit, \$27.00; Pittsburgh, \$28.13; Chicago, \$23.63; Omaha, \$19.88; Denver, \$16.50; Portland, \$8.25.

This fare includes the surcharge, but does not include the small additional fee which we will have to pay for the privilege of occupying our Special train during all the stops.

Special Train Schedule

June 26—Leave Chicago via CB&Q RR-11:30 P.M. June 27—Arrive Burlington— via CB&Q RR— 6:00 A.M. Leave Burlington— via CB&Q RR— 6:10 A.M. Arrive Omaha—
Leave Omaha—
Arrive Lincoln—
via CB&Q RR— 2:30 p.m.
via CB&Q RR— 3:00 p.m.
via CB&Q RR— 4:30 p.m.

At Lincoln Thetas from Iowa, South Dakota, Minnesota, Kansas, and Missouri will join the Special train.

Rho and Lincoln alumnae will be in charge of our stay in their city.

June 27—Leave Lincoln— via CB&Q RR— 9:00 p.m. June 28—Arrive Denver— via CB&Q RR— 9:15 a.m.

At Denver Colorado Thetas, and probably those from Montana, Oklahoma, and Texas, will join the Special train.

Denver alumnae is planning a comprehensive program for our day with

June 28—Leave Denver— via U.P. RR— 4:00 p.m. June 29—Arrive Salt Lake— via U.P. RR— 10:30 a.m.

A special organ recital, luncheon, and drive have been arranged by the Salt Lake Thetas.

June 29—Leave Salt Lake— via S.P. RR— 4:00 P.M. June 30—Arrive Truckee via S.P. RR— 9:00 A.M.

A day spent at Lake Tahoe, as a side trip, enjoying a boat ride, sports, as well as magnificent scenery.

The Nevada Thetas join the Special train here. June 30—Leave Lake Tahoe—via S.P. RR—9:00 p.m. July 1— Arrive San Francisco—via S.P. RR—9:00 a.m.

Further Facts

In the May magazine and in a convention booklet which we are preparing, will appear all the rest of the information which could be useful to you.

In the meantime, any one who has any brilliant ideas for convention plans, or who wishes any advance information, will please write to me at Broken Bow, Nebraska.

Martha Cline Huffman

SAN FRANCISCO

"The city loved around the world" is waiting to instill in you the spirit of its quaintness, its fascination, and its glorious sunshine.



SAN FRANCISCO FLOWER MARKET

"Serene, indifferent to Fate, thou sittest by thy Western gate," sang Bret Harte in praise of San Francisco. It lies on the tip of the peninsula, amid artistic hills, surrounded by the waters of the Pacific ocean and San Francisco harbor. It has truly been called the gateway to the Orient, the "world city." Each foreign quarter has its own quaint customs, and to eat of the cuisine of every nation in San Francisco's restaurants is to make a gustatory tour of the world.

We Thetas who live here, or in the surrounding districts, are counting the days until we can number among our joys the privilege of helping you to love our city as we love it; to know the thrills of San Francisco in its everchanging moods. We are waiting to take you across on the ferry at sunset when the sky above the Golden Gate is a maze of gold and rose, reflecting its glory on the quaint castle-like island of Alcatraz, so medieval in its beauty, so grim in the use man has put it to—a prison.

Amid the rush and confusion of new people and new business, we are always conscious of the romance of our city's history. Founded by padres and soldiers of the presidio in 1776, the next century saw a trading settlement established on the little cove of Yerba Buena. Of a sudden came the discovery of gold in California, the wild inrush of adventurers—and by the end of 1849 the population of San Francisco had been swelled to 50,000. Then followed exciting Vigilante days; the Civil War period; the money-madness attendant on the "big bonanze" of the Comstock; the coming of the transcontinental railroad. Ever varying was existence in San Francisco then, and in half a century it has scarcely quieted down.

During the week you are with us you may find outlets for your every interest. If you love quaint artistic surrounding, we can lead you through China town, a fragment of this ancient and honorable nation, the largest gathering place of Chinese immigrants in America. "It is a ward of the city of Canton set down in the most eligible business-quarter of the city," wrote Rudyard Kipling, marveling at it and recounting his visit there. The rosycheeked Cathay children, playing in the street, the beautifully attired Oriental sweet girls, wearing always smiling faces, and the throng of Chinese men and women, are a wonder to visitors.

Perhaps you will prefer the Latin Quarter where you may wander for blocks without seeing an English name on a sign. Many quaint and strange shops display an infinite variety of wares—foreign books, liquors and lithographs, chromos, notions, and all the outré table delicacies in which these far-removed colonists delight. In the bakeries you may buy cressini and other crisp-crusted Italian breads, real French bread in common loaves, long loaves, and round loaves.

Telegraph Hill, Russian Hill, and Nob Hill are the stamping grounds for artists, and writers. The flavor of Bohemia is here.

If you love the outdoors, 1013 acres of Golden Gate park bid you explore its mysteries. One of its most delightful spots is the Japanese Tea Garden, a picturesque bit of ancient Yeddo transplanted into the Occident. Strange dwarf pines and cedars serve as a background for the flowers of Japan—climbing wisteria, azalea, fragile-petaled iris and cherry blossoms pink and white. Near this is the De Young museum, the Aquarium, and Stowe Lake.

There is scarcely one in the whole catalogue of outdoor sports that is not enjoyed in the city's parks. Numerous tennis courts have developed lithe young athletes who have consistently brought high honors to San Francisco. Horseback riders canter gaily along the well-kept bridle paths every day in the year. The municipal golf links at Lincoln park boast one of the best courses in the city. Arrangements are being made for the use of some of the city golf clubs by visiting Thetas. The Fleischacker Pool in Golden Gate Park is the largest open air pool in the country and is equipped with every facility to make the swimmer enjoy his dip.

At the extreme tip of the peninsula overlooking Golden Gate straits, the statue of "The Thinker" by Rodin, markes the end of the Lincoln highway. Here also is the Palace of the Legion of honor, a reproduction of the Palace of Fine arts in Paris, erected in memory of San Francisco's war heroes. The Legion of honor now holds the Walker collection of paintings, including original

Rembrandts, Millets and Corots.

If you love history you will enjoy the military and naval headquarters at the presidio. With its coast defenses far-flung and formidable, San Francisco has been called the best fortified city in America. The Spanish word "presidio" signifies garrison-post. This is one of the oldest military stations in our country, for it was in 1776 that it was established by Juan Bautista de Anza, who led an expedition overland from Sonora, Mexico. On the north shore, where the tongue of land known as Fort Point reaches out, the Spaniards set up the Castillo de San Joaquin, which Americans replaced in 1854 by Fort Winfield Scott.

While you are still out in this part of the city you may visit the ocean promenade, the "Board Walk" of San Francisco. Here you may look past Seal rocks to the horizon of the Pacific and watch the ships passing with their cargoes for the Orient. When you have become weary of this, you may turn around and find yourself in the midst of scenic railways, merry-go-rounds, Jack's castles, and unique French and Italian "holes-in-the-wall" where clam chowder, Italian raviols, tamales, or spagetti is yours for the

ordering.

Perhaps we may now lead you down-town once more through the shopping districts along Grant avenue and Geary streets. On every street corner flower stands furnish multi-colored cheer and poignant fragrance all the year around. For a quarter you may buy a pansy corsage in winter and in summer so that you may appear at the Theta parties with an added touch of loyalty.

Clift hotel

Right in the down town district is our headquarters, the Clift hotel. January 23, one-hundred-and-seventeen Thetas sat in the



CLIFT HOTEL, SAN FRANCISCO

Sky dining room, used for the first time on our Founders'-day, and tried to picture the scene six months ahead. We imagined groups of Thetas in all corners of the room; we placed the Grand officers at this table, the Southern Thetas at that table, the Middle Western groups over here, and the Eastern Thetas back there.

The Clift, with its new addition rising seventeen stories, represents the latest architectural and mechanical developments in modern scientific hotel construction. And it is all new from top to bottom, to be opened for the first time for the Theta convention. The entire hotel is for the Thetas. At present one can scarcely go into the building but one finds a group, a committee, or a meeting of Thetas planning for your arrival.

The rooms are arranged in suites of two and three rooms accommodating from two to six girls. You may arrange to bring your friends and live together. Each suite is done in a distinctive color, mauve, rose, orchid, blue. And every bit of it is fresh and new. The sixteenth floor dining-room, in which we held our luncheon, has its own kitchen equipment, and is to be used exclusively for Thetas. It commands an unequalled view of the harbor and surrounding hills.

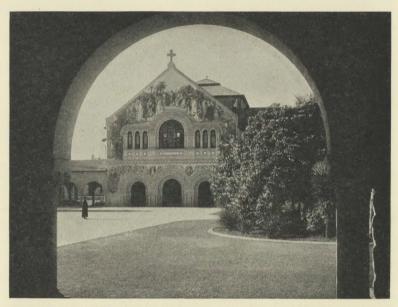
Summer School for the studious

If you are serious-minded and wish to make your convention opportunities longer and more worthwhile, you may plan to attend summer school at the University of California or at Stan-



UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA STADIUM

ford university. California is situated in Berkeley, just forty minutes by electric train and ferry from the Clift hotel. The summer session starts in the middle of June and is one of the largest and most popular summer courses in any state university. The Campanile, a copy of the Tower at Florence, contains the clock that guides some 12,000 students to and from classes throughout the year. The new stadium in Strawberry canyon and the outdoor Greek theater give the university many added attractions.



STANFORD QUADRANGLE JAND CHURCH

Stanford university, about an hour's ride down the peninsula south of San Francisco, has for its chief pride the Stanford chapel. It is the most beautiful and costly chapel in the world for its size and is distinctive for its exquisite mosiacs of biblical lore and the life of Christ. You may write the registrars of either university for details, and the Thetas of Omega, Phi, or the San Francisco alumnae will help you find living places on the campuses.

Weather and Clothes

We cannot leave you without some mention of our wonderful weather. It will be cool, sunny, exhilarating. Let us warn you not to come equipped with too many voil, or silk summer frocks. From ten in the morning until four in the afternoon you will be hot. But when the sun sets behind the Golden Gate, you will welcome a comfortable wrap. We wear suits, sweaters, and light wool dresses all the year around.

Welcome

We shall give you no hint of the surprises, and activities we are planning for you. Already the flutterings of anticipation and expectancy make our every meeting a red-letter day and our every thought one of welcome for you all. Make your plans so that you may receive a small portion of the joy in visiting us that we shall experience in welcoming you.

IS THE FRATERNITY A CHRISTIAN ORGANIZATION?

The fraternity is not Christian. That is the statement of the recent Indiana state conference of college students and faculty. This conference was at Purdue university November 6-8, 1925. It was for the purpose of discussing college problems in the light of Christian ideals. There was a large attendance with representatives of many colleges. And there were such able speakers as Doctor Bruce Curry, Doctor George Coe, Miss Margaret Quale, Henry Van Dusen, Owen Pence, and Dean Stanley Coulter.

Many problems were discussed. Perhaps the forum on fraternities attracted as much attention as any. It was led by Bruce Curry, and drew out some heated discussion. Two lists were drawn up—one enumerating the good points of the fraternity system, and the other the bad points. The main arguments for the fraternity were that it develops the individual, it provides a home-like atmosphere for the student, it encourages scholarship, it gives its members a certain polish, which is helpful even if only external, and that Christ belonged to a fraternity, referring to the disciples. The derogatory list was much longer. The development of the individual is done only with the idea of bringing something to the fraternity. The motivating forces are all wrong. Moreover, the fraternity is expensive and it discourages the forming of friendships outside of its own limits. Its whole basis is selfish—built on the idea of exclusion. It is not open to anyone who will share the common ideal, as was Christ's fraternity. The whole principle on which the fraternity system is founded is absolutely wrong, and though not anti-Christian, decidedly un-Christian. Therefore it cannot be bettered from the inside. The only thing to do is to abolish it entirely. People of courage, high principles and vision see this and raise their standards high. Doctor Curry was once a Beta Theta Pi. Since the conference three girls at DePauw have withdrawn from their fraternities. The situation is interesting. Is the fraternity un-Christian?

Mary Walker, Alpha

FRATERNITY AND CHRISTIANITY

In view of the conclusions of the recent Indiana state conterence of college students, as set forth in the preceding article, the time seems opportune to print the fine letter written by a District president of Alpha Chi Omega in answer to a doubting sister's criticism of the fraternity system. The letter appeared first in *The Lyre* of Alpha Chi Omega, March 1925. It has been widely copied in the fraternity press, with many favorable comments.

The best introduction to the letter at hand is the following paragraph with which the letter is introduced in *The Eleusis* of Chi Omega, September

1925.

During the years since the war, every fraternity has had the experience of a badge tendered by some member on the ground that the wearing of it was "not Christ-like." Such action usually followed some one of the various religious gatherings held for students under the auspices of the Y.M.C.A. the Y.W.C.A. or a church. This letter, written by Mrs Barbara Wild Whitaker, of Alpha Chi Omega, is an unusually fine answer to those who react in this fashion to religious teachers. Every fraternity man and woman should read it. The next step needed to clarify this subject is an accurate stating of the motives of religious leaders who do not sense the dangers to society through stimulating to the point of self-abasement, the submissive impulse of which everyone has a share, particularly when they seek to give a dominate position to weakly sentimental beliefs.

My dear Sister:

I received your letter some time ago. You requested an immediate reply. Upon second thought, you surely must have realized, however, that an immediate answer to such a letter was almost impossible. This matter, of course, is a very difficult one to discuss on paper. It would be so much easier to talk to you, but that is impossible, and so I must write.

Your letter was the first intimation I had received of any disaffection existing in the chapter. From your letter I learn that after having attended a number of religious student conferences, you have decided that you wish to be released from membership in Alpha Chi Omega, because you think you do not approve of fraternities and, therefore, are not in sympathy with them for the following reasons:

A. Broadly speaking—

- 1. Fraternities are undemocratic.
 - a. They do not offer open membership to all.
- 2. Fraternities are un-Christ-like.
 - a. They do not include all human relations.

b. They create unhappiness.

c. They produce an "Inferiority complex."

B. Particularly speaking—re fraternities in your college—

- 1. Fraternities raise barriers between fraternity and non-fraternity women.
- 2. Competitive bidding does not create unity of spirit in local Panhellenic.
 - a. Creates antagonism between rival groups.
- 3. System of voting for members non-Christian.

a. Forgetful of fundamental spirit of love.

C. Alpha Chi Omega is unjust.

1. Drops pledges who cannot or do not make grades.

You have been very frank in criticizing the fraternity, so I assume you expect me to be frank in my statements concerning your reactions toward fraternities, and yourself.

To begin with, it seems to me you have confused the two different forms of "fraternity." There is, as you know, fraternity in the larger sense, that ideal fraternity of which Christ taught and of which we all strive to be worthy members. Then, there is, as you also know, fraternity in the narr wer sense, fraternity in the sense of an association of persons for some common purpose.

Now suppose we consider what Alpha Chi Omega means to me—and it means to me now what it does because of what it meant to me when I was active. I look upon Alpha Chi Omega as a fraternity in the sense of an association of persons for some common purpose, and that purpose is set forth in the opening and closing ceremonies and the initiation ceremony of the fraternity. To me, the fraternity seems a training school, as it were, a training school for that other fraternity of which Christ taught, the key of which is love. We can love our fellows and give the most of ourselves to them, understand their motives, which means understanding both their virtues and their weaknesses, and vet find our own most intimate friends in a smaller group. The close associations and intimate friendships of the fraternity, I believe, cannot be found anywhere else in college life, unless it be in the dormitory—and even there it is different. If we strive to attain the ideals of the fraternity, we should be that much more able, both in school and after leaving, to follow that precept of Christ's wherein He taught: "Make thy light so shine before men that they shall glorify thy Father who art in Heaven."

The fraternity helps us to make the most of our opportunities. It not only helps and trains us to live with those about us, but it also attempts to broaden us by urging—no, more than that—even

compelling us to take an active part in campus activities, and in that way we can extend our influence and the influence and ideals of our fraternity among those about us, not by what we say so much as by what we do.

It seems to me that the fraternity might be considered in the light of a medium, a restricted group if you please, but, nevertheless, a group whose members after having striven "to attain the heights" are that much more capable of fulfilling the demands of true fraternity in the greater sense. Christ, it is true, desired all to be included in His fraternity and to benefit by His teachings, but, as you know, in His immediate circle there were only twelve. These He taught to spread His teachings throughout the world. He realized the utter futility of the efforts of the individual as compared with those of a group.

Do you realize that even your attendance at a university sets you apart as a member of a restricted group? Did you refuse to attend college because others, perhaps hundreds of others, less fortunate than yourself, found it impossible to do so? Even membership in a university is restricted by the entrance requirements and the fact that some money is necessary. You are not refusing to take advantage of these opportunities which develop your mind, why refuse to profit by the opportunities offered you by a group, the ideals of which only tend to supplement the opportunities offered by the university, and thereby make your life more complete, in its influence upon others the greater?

If all you say about conditions in your local Panhellenic and local chapter are true, it seems to me that there is much for a girl of true nobility to accomplish. I should hate to run away. I should dearly love to TRY to bring about better conditions.

Competitive bidding need not necessarily create bitterness and antagonism. There is rivalry in all sports. Why should rivalry cause bitterness in bidding more than in football or any other sport? If it does, there is something wrong with your rushing rules, and perhaps just a little wrong with the spirit of the girls; but, undoubtedly, there is more wrong with the rules than with the girls. Experience and the desire to cooperate will remedy this. In nearly all of the colleges, the rushing rules are altered in the attempt to overcome just such conditions.

As a matter of fact, it is doubtless true that the plan of second semester pledging that is used in your college is largely responsible for the creation of any bitterness and antagonism in rushing. It seems to be almost invariably true that a long-delayed rushing season tends to create just this sort of feeling. It is not the fault of the fraternities and it is not the fault of the girls themselves,

for they are, after all, only human. When several people desire the same thing, or think they desire it, it is very easy for suspicions to arise and ill feeling to result—all the more easy when they are kept in suspense for some months. Can you not make an effort to see that rushing rules are changed to permit of a shorter rushing

season. This is one way in which you can help.

The fact that some nonfraternity women feel their exclusion from fraternities most keenly, is, of course, to be regretted. However, I think you have exaggerated the idea in your mind that they have suffered an inferiority complex which has affected them during the remainder of their lives. A fraternity woman who feels or causes others to feel that she is better than they are just because she is a fraternity woman is a snob, pure and simple, and a disgrace to her fraternity. College authorities, particularly deans of women, and Panhellenics everywhere, are doing all in their power to improve the relations between fraternity and nonfraternity groups and to break down these barriers of which you speak. Long strides have been made in this direction in some

of the colleges.

You seem to have forgotten, also, that many women do not join fraternities from choice and that there are in the "independent" body on every campus women who, for various reasons, have preferred to remain outside of fraternities. It is the aim of the National Panhellenic congress to foster the creation of so many fraternities that no woman need remain outside of one if she wishes to join. Can you not help to bring some more Panhellenic groups to your campus? Your second semester pledging system also tends to augment any tendency there may be among nonfraternity women to feel a differentiation, since it keeps ever before the student body the question of rushing. Panhellenic fraternities wish to have this phase of their life put aside as soon as possible and, for this reason, do not favor the late pledging day that your college authorities insist upon. The preference system, where used, also helps to "iron out" the differences between fraternity and nonfraternity women, because, under this system, no one knows just which women remain independent from choice. Can you not help to install this system in your college?

Your statement that, in seeking new members, the fraternity takes those who will uphold its prestige and social standing and neglects those who need fellowship in the group is partly true and partly not, it seems to me. We wish to choose our members because of their congeniality with our group, believing that, no matter how much others may *need* the fellowship of a fraternity, they will not find it unless they have an interest in common with our

members. I have seen many girls, taken into the fraternity, whose only credentials were the facts that they came from respectable homes and were good students. You realize that your group is very new. It has not the traditions and experience of years to guide it, and, therefore, perhaps makes mistakes an older group would not, so it seems to me all the more necessary for you to overlook much and have great faith in the future and do all in your power to help them to succeed in the attainment of their ideals.

In regard to the dropping of pledges who do not make their grades: Do you not realize that in making this rule the fraternity is seeking primarily the good of the girl and not its own? She is given a whole year to make good, and many a girl will do work she never would have done had she not desired to be initiated. Many girls come to college and live under conditions very different from those under which they lived when attending high school. and many a young freshman loses her head and forgets the more serious side of college life. You say you have had several heartbreaking incidents in your chapter because of this. Did you do all in your power to prevent these from happening? If no one else took the responsibility did you yourself go to the teachers of these girls and find out the kind of work they were doing in time to help, and then see that the older girls, proficient in these courses in which the freshmen were failing, tutored and aided them? If you did not, then who is partly responsible for the "heart-breaking incidents?" Surely all the blame cannot be attached to this ruling of Alpha Chi Omega.

In closing, I can only repeat that it seems to me that you can better serve that greater fraternity of Christ's by serving your apprenticeship in the smaller, more restricted one, and, by striving to make your endeavors felt in this group, you will increase not

only its power for good but your own as well.

I wish it were in my power to help you to see things differently, so that you could again wear the badge of Alpha Chi Omega with a feeling of pride and devotion toward the things for which it stands.

Most loyally,

Barbara Wild Whittaker

SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Approximate figures of fund and annual increase

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Nov	1903-\$10, place	ed on	deposit by	Los Angeles alumnae	
Jan.	1912—\$ 2,500,	yearly	increase,	\$ 300	
Jan.	1916— 5,000,	"	"	600	
Jan.	1919— 11,000,	"	"	2,000	
Jan.	1922— 17,000,	"	"	2,000	
Jan.	1925 - 27,500,	"	"	3,500	
Jan.	1926— 32,000,	"	"	4,500	

Contributions

Every Theta, somehow or somewhere, has contributed something to the Scholarship fund. In the first eight years, its growth was slow and not at all in proportion to the time and effort spent by the committee in drumming up enthusiasm.

A Scholarship fund of \$15,000.00 was a dream, a wonderful dream, but so far in the future that very few could visualize its possibilities and so, by 1912, it had grown only to \$2500.00.

In 1913, however, the money on hand, instead of being left idle in the bank, was actually put to work as undergraduate loans. After that see how Thetas supplied the need that immediately became evident. The annual increase in the next four years was \$600.00. The fund was more than thirteen years old before knowledge of and interest in it became general. During the next six years the annual increase was \$2000.00, showing how war-time needs brought forth the necessary funds. By 1922, the original goal of \$15,000.00 had been passed and, amid much rejoicing, plans were made for the first fellowship supported entirely by the interest which had continually been turned back into the fund. Then for three years the fund increased at the rate of \$3500.00 a year. In 1925 the increase was something over \$4500.00.

The most remarkable fact, however, is that this rapid growth does not leave a large surplus on hand. At the present time the fund has a loan of \$1500.00 from the national treasury, which was necessary to meet the requests for loans this year.

Of course Los Angeles alumnae always boosted for the Fund. It was the chapter's pet enterprise, and now Los Angeles alumnae is thankful that the Fund has become all Theta's pet enterprise. The splendid contributions from alumnae chapters and clubs, both large and small, perhaps never has been given enough publicity. Every chapter may derive inspiration and new ideas from knowing what others are doing for the Fund.

So, I have scanned the books, and since the last three years seem to be the banner years, will give you a report of chapter contributions for those three years, together with an account of some ways in which money was raised.

From 35 alumnae chapters, in these three years, has come \$10,104.53. This is an average of \$288.70 for the contributing chapters. However, as the membership in alumnae chapters varies from around 20 to close to 200, obviously some chapters can give larger contributions than the average much easier than some chapters can give half that amount. The smallest contribution in the list was \$20.00, which was one dollar per member of that chapter—just the amount that goes to the fund from every initiation fee. The largest contribution was \$1700.00 contributed by Pittsburgh alumnae, with the \$1539.16 of Washington alumnae's stocking sale running it a close second. Here in ascending order are listed these gifts, so you can visualize—if figures visualize for you—what elements made up the ten thousand plus.

The contributions under consideration read thus—\$20; \$24.50; \$35; \$36; 3 gifts of \$50 each; \$65.50; \$69; \$73; \$114.17; \$129; \$141.25; \$150; \$160; \$172; \$175; \$197; 2 gifts of \$200 each; \$289.50; \$300; \$325; 3 gifts of \$350 each; \$400; \$523.81; \$525.85; \$1229.79 (gift through one alumnae chapter of alumnae from all

over the state); \$1539.16; \$1700.

In the three years here reported eight alumnae chapters made no contribution to the Scholarship fund. Why?

In the same interim the alumnae clubs of Boise, Buffalo, Long Beach, San Diego, and Toledo, made gifts to the Fund that total \$276. And five college chapters—Chi, Alpha Beta, Alpha Iota, Alpha Xi, and Beta Theta—made the Fund gifts totaling \$521.70.

Many Thetas are wearing Washington alumnae's stockings and will continue to do so, as commissions continue to go to that chapter for the Fund. Mrs Harlan Perrill was responsible for inaugurating this successful undertaking, which has netted so much for the Fund.

Pittsburgh alumnae in 1923 had a Community service bureau through which Thetas did what they could do best for those who usually hired such services done. Result, a thousand dollars for the fund. All admire Pittsburgh's enthusiasm in successfully carrying through a program calling for so much time and energy.

Card parties, dances, moving pictures, bazaars, benefits of various kinds, as well as the sale of such commodities as coffee, Christmas cards, maple sugar, scarfs, fruit cake, can openers, recipe books, peanuts, stationery, are methods by which other

chapters accumulated their gifts. Rummage sales are popular money raisers. Several gifts came marked—"Founders'-day contributions." Convention always offers many opportunities for buying useful or delicious articles to help some chapter do its bit for the Fund. All such plans require time, energy and enthusiasm to carry them through successfully and the real thanks comes from the feeling of having done something worthwhile.

Service

Now, may I show you the other side of the picture, just why

the Scholarship fund is worthwhile?

In 1923, 20 girls borrowed a total of \$5950.00; in 1924, 42 girls received \$12,250.00 and in 1925, 35 girls were loaned \$9025.00. In other words in three years 97 girls have been helped toward the final goal of a degree, with a total loan of \$27,225.00.

To the committee it seems with knowledge of so general a need for this Fund so well demonstrated, Theta may look forward perhaps only a few years, certainly not so long a time as the trusting few who started the idea waited, to four funds of \$15,000 each, one in honor of each Founder, each supporting, through the interest it earns, a biennial fellowship.

It is said that a new reputation is started every day. Theta alumnae chapters have started a good reputation as regards support of the Scholarship fund. A few have flown so high that they will have hard work duplicating their gifts, but they will never fly so low that they can be said to be 'living on their reputation.'

Every convention year brings new enthusiasm. Who will be the high-flyers this year and next?

Helen Pratt

Music for you, money for the fund

Thetas in Chicago have a new enterprise whereby they hope to make a large contribution to the Scholarship fund. Their

advertisement appears on page 302.

It may not be known to all Thetas that Marjorie Maxwell, whose fine voice you can hear on this record, is a member of Kappa Alpha Theta from Alpha Nu chapter, as well as a regular member of the Chicago civic opera company. She generously gave her music in these songs as a contribution to the Scholarship fund. Chicago Thetas are generously giving of their time to carry out the enterprise and sell the records.

The rest of us can contribute to the Fund by buying the record, either individually or collectively An order for one or a dozen records will be a real contribution to the Scholarship fund. Let's

exhaust the supply before April.



DOROTHY WILSON-DISTRICT VII

(Continuing Theta's liaison officers in January issue)

Thetas who were at the convention at Lake Minnewaska will remember how Dorothy Wilson, through her presence of mind and ready wit, turned an evening that threatened to be a disaster into a hilarious success. The stereoptican wouldn't work and Dorothy had to substitute for it. The way she, although quite unprepared, stepped into the breach that evening is an excellent index to the kind of person she is. Those of us who know her can congratulate District VII on its luck in having her as District president.

When I told Dorothy that I was to write her Journal introduction, she asked me to avoid the 'obituary style' and so I will say nothing else nice about her, but confine myself to bare facts. She is a native Baltimorean, graduated from Goucher in 1914, and was president of her class in senior year. Since graduation she has had a varied experience in library work, service with the War department, and medical exchange service. Her years as president of Baltimore alumnae chapter, coupled with her unflagging interest in fraternity matters, fitted her for a presidency of original achievement.

Helen Harrison Brown

VOCATIONAL INFORMATION ESSENTIALS

This resumé of first steps toward a vocation was prepared by the Vocational committee, an alumnæ committee now under the supervision of the Assistant alumnæ secretary, as a corollary to its first annual report. It is published here that it may reach those members for whom it was especially designed, the undergraduates and the youthful alumnæ seeking to find their real niche in the world's work. Any reader desiring fuller information, or who wishes personal advice as to a vocation, is invited to correspond with the committee addressing it in care of the Grand secretary, 13 East av. Ithaca, N.Y.

The Preparation

1. Probably the single most important vocational fact for the college undergraduate to bear in mind is that unspecialized college education, while the best background for practically all vocations, is not alone an adequate preparation for a good posi-

tion in any vocation.

2. There are two ways of acquiring preparation for any line of work. First, by technical training in a university or special professional school; second, by experience in the nature of apprenticeship. For some lines of work one may qualify by school training only, for others by experience only. There are a few which offer either avenue of approach. It should be borne in mind however that no amount of school preparation can entirely

take the place of experience.

- 3. A mistake often made by college graduates is to expect too good positions immediately upon entering any line of work. I have seen girls frequently object to beginning in an office or other institution where they must be supervised by those without college education. It is necessary to remember that even workers who have no college education have a great deal of information acquired from experience that fully justifies their being placed over better educated workers who are new and green in their work. Many a business man has said to me, "Tell the college graduate to forget her education entirely when she goes to work and remember that she will be judged in the business world entirely by what she can do, not by what she has learned." This is absolutely sound advice.
- 4. In planning for professional or technical education make every sacrifice to go to the best schools. Not only is the training itself superior but one is stamped afterwards in professional life by the name of the school from which one graduated. Also the best professional schools serve as placement agencies for

their graduates, so that graduation from one of them means in all probability a good entrance position immediately.

5. Frequently undergraduate college courses can be selected that will have distinct vocational value. While specialization too early in one's course is not advised, still one should try to include courses of distinct vocational value before the end of the period that can be spared for formal education.

6. There are certain professions, particularly medicine, for which pre-professional work must be taken at an early date. If a vocational choice can be made by the end of sophomore year it often saves time spent on subjects that while valuable are less valuable than those needed for professional preparation.

7. Since a majority of women college graduates probably become teachers, it should be borne in mind that there are requirements as to professional courses that must be fulfilled by prospective teachers in public school systems in nearly every state.

Choice of Vocation

1. For adults of the intelligence of college graduates there is probably no better determinate for vocational choice than the type of work that makes the strongest appeal to the individual. Diversions, hobbies, and the things that are most enjoyed in one's leisure time may point the way. An important qualification to this statement is that no individual should trust to her likes and dislikes in making a vocational choice without some knowledge of what the vocational requirements are, the amount of opportunity offered, the professional training needed, in the field of work under consideration.

2. Where uncertainty exists as to which of two or three vocations is preferred the "tryout" plan is often a great help. Take a job, paid or not, in the general field of work which is being considered and see how you like it. If you dislike it after a fair test, shift to something else. The experience acquired will not be amiss in any case, since those who have done any kind of work at all find it easier to get their first paid employment than those who are entirely inexperienced.

3. Some fields of work offer many opportunities for advancement, and others, even though they appeal to a large number of college women, offer very few such opportunities. The two general vocations which probably offer most opportunity and most variety within themselves are business and social service. Social workers with special training and business women

with good education are none too frequent, so the demand for them is usually great—after the first experience has been acquired. On the other hand vocations calling for literary, musical, and artistic talent most unfortunately offer comparatively few opportunities. This does not mean that girls do not enter these lines of work every year and work upward to success, but the amount of talent needed for success along such lines is great and the demands on one's spirit of perseverance as well as on one's pocket book before self-support is achieved are severe. Interior decoration is a specific example of the kind of work that appeals to many college graduates and which is useful avocationally but very difficult as a means of livelihood. There are professions, such as law and medicine, where, though successful entrance is possible, the period of preliminary preparation and professional beginnings is long and trying.

For Further Information

If you wish full information about the type of work you are thinking of entering, there are several good ways of getting it.

a. Register in the college occupational or appointment bureau, if your college is fortunate enough to have one. This will do you no harm and may later be of great benefit. Talk to your college vocational adviser, or to any other person or groups of persons, designated by your college to give vocational help. While general vocational information may be acquired by reading and correspondence, the things that are important in one's individual case are best dealt with by those who can talk face to face.

b. Talk to some one in your own locality who has successfully entered on the line of work by which you are attracted. Such persons are usually glad to give advice to aspiring be-

ginners.

- c. The Bureau of vocational information, 1 West 47th street, New York, N. Y. is far and away the largest storehouse of general vocational information in the country. It collects and disseminotes information on a national scale, and while most active in the northeast, is prepared to advise those in all sections of the country. It makes a speciality of advising young women with college education and in addition to the information given by individual letters, has prepared a number of books of great vocational value.
- d. There is a wealth of printed matter about vocations, much of it however prepared for those with only high school or less

training. For the college trained woman the following books are especially recommended:

- 1. Adams, Elisabeth Kemper. Women professional workers. Macmillan.
- 2. Cabot, Richard C. Social work: essays on the meeting ground of doctor and social worker. Houghton-Mifflin.
- 3. Committee for the study of nursing education. Nursing and nursing education in the United States. Macmillan.
 - 4. Filine, Katherine. Careers for women. Houghton-Mifflin.
- 5. Tufts, James H. Education and training for social work. Russell Sage Foundation.
 - 6. Publications of the Bureau of vocational information.
- a. Training for the professions and allied occupations. \$3.50, postage .20 extra.
- b. Positions of responsibility in department stores and other retail selling opportunities. \$.60.
 - c. Statistical work. \$.60
 - d. Women in chemistry. \$.60
 - e. Women in the law. \$.60
- f. News-bulletin, published monthly, subscription, \$1.00 per year.

Landing a Job

- 1. There is no better way than by direct application, either in person or by letter. When applying by all means put your best foot forward. If you are writing use the best stationery, absolutely correct English, paying special attention to punctuation and spelling. Typewritten letters are advisable if one's typing is without reproach. When applying in person try to look your best. Of course it is not desirable to overdress for an occasion like this, but many employers judge much by first appearances, so wear your most becoming suit or dress of business-like appearance. I have known employers to turn down girls because of muddy shoes or untidy hair, in part because to them these little things indicated a probability of other untidy habits. While applying for positions is sometimes discouraging, when two or three turndowns are experienced, discouragement is not really justified if one has good qualifications.
- 2. There are throughout the country about a dozen occupational bureaus run by and for college women. All of these give vocational advice and some do actual placement work.
- 3. A really good commercial employment agency is a highly recommended way of getting employment.

4. Positions often may be secured by asking someone already in a field of work, not to place one, but to give advice as to how one may secure an opening in such work.

Work and Marriage

When all is said and done there is no vocation in the world as great as that of wifehood and motherhood. Young girls in their enthusiasm for a certain career sometimes do not feel this way but this is the sincere belief of the average mature woman. Perhaps it would not be amiss to say here not to leave wholesome friendships with men out of your scheme of things while you are concerning yourself with professional preparation.

There are many uncertainties about marriage however and no woman in the world needs work so badly as the mother thrown on her own resources with children to support. Also the average age of marriage of college women is twenty-six, while ten per cent of all college women who marry do not do so until they are over thirty. Too large a per cent do not marry at all. For all these reasons, the choosing and preparing for some good vocation is something that searcely any girl can afford to omit.

Many young wives are continuing their work after marriage. The future alone will determine to what extent this custom will prevail. For the present it would seem that individual family exigencies should be the determining factor. An interesting article worth reading along this line was written by Ethel Puffer Howes for the Atlantic monthly of December 1922.—Kate Tillett

PANHELLENIC MEETINGS

Grand Rapids, Michigan. The city Panhellenic of Grand Rapids holds luncheon meetings at 12:15 the second Saturday of each month at Hotel Pantlind. Resident and visiting members of National Panhellenic fraternities are always welcome. Secretary, Mrs T. L. Hills, 120 Barclay av.

Colorado Springs, Colorado. The women's Panhellenic association (city Panhellenic) of Colorado Springs has been organized for four years. It is eager to get in touch with all fraternity members coming to its city, as visitors or residents. The secretary is Mrs

G. M. Le Crone, General delivery.

FOUNDERS'-DAY

Some celebrations as reported

Harrisburgh alumnae club had a delightful luncheon party to celebrate Founders'-day, January 23, at the Linden tree inn. There were only nine present, as sickness was present in a number of Theta homes, but two girls came from a distance and gave us quite a thrill. There were place cards, favors, and all the frills of a regular banquet.—C.M.L.

Washington, D. C. alumnae chapter: Fifty-six Thetas celebrated the anniversary with a luncheon at the fashionable Congressional country club, January 30. The program which followed the luncheon was in charge of Mrs Helen Reed Keiser, Gamma, and Mrs Katherine Seely Wallace acted as toastmistress. Baltimore alumnae and Alpha Delta chapters had been invited to share in the celebration, and twelve from these chapters were guests.

Boston alumnae chapter had a supper in honor of our Founders at the Grace Horne gallery, Wednesday, January 27.

Chicago: Here three chapters, Chicago and Evanston alumnae, and Tau, had a joint celebration, a luncheon in the new ball room of the Edgewater beach hotel. One-hundred-four Thetas were there, representing sixteen college chapters. Mrs Elizabeth Russell Montgomery, Phi, presided. Genevieve Forbes Herrick, Tau, had written a clever history of the origin of Theta entitled When the Kite began to fly, which was read by Anne Drummond, Eta, as Mrs Herrick could not be present. Helen Hedges, Tau, sang to the great enjoyment of the Thetas present. Four members of Tau gave a stunt.

In Minneapolis: Here the alumnae chapter and Upsilon joined forces to celebrate Founders'-day with a banquet presided over by Hazel Lotze Whittaker, Alpha Rho. There was no toast program, but many gay novelties, similar to the plan that made the District X convention banquet such a happy memory.

Cleveland: Twenty-eight chapters were represented at the Founders'-day banquet in the Rose room of the Cleveland hotel, attractively decorated in black and gold with Theta kites. Seven out of town Ohio guests joined us. At the very beginning our

fondest memories of fraternity days were called forth by the *Theta prayer* so beautifully sung with violin and piano accompaniment. We felt inspired with the enduring friendship of Theta, now not only a thing of college days, but a moving spirit carried over to brighten our lives. Between courses we sang *Theta lips*, *From coast to coast*, *Viva la* K.A.O.—all with much happiness.

Our president, Meta Ebling, Alpha Omega, able toastmistress, introduced first, Mrs Maud Lyon Bell, Alpha Gamma, who took us back to the days of Theta's Founders and we reminisced with her, placing ourselves in the boots of Betty Locke, Alice Allen, Betty Tipton and Jenny Fitch in 1870. Mrs Mary Miles Lynch, Mu, the first president of Cleveland alumnae, in a most engaging manner made her early Theta days real and told us of the early friendships of our alumnae chapter. Mrs Mary Howard Hawkins, Alpha Gamma, lastly appealed to our womanhood for service to the future of Kappa Alpha Theta as a developmental fraternity in the ever increasing college enrollment of today. Attractive stunts were performed which vividly showed us the youth of today. In a Theta chain we passed the loving-cup around.

Mildred K. Rickard

Indianapolis: "An air of springtime was prevalent in the Riley room at the Claypool hotel yesterday for the annual luncheon of Kappa Alpha Theta, with the pretty bright yellow shaded calendulas adorning each of the small tables in vases of orange. At the speaker's table a large gold and black basket of the flowers, tied with a bow of black and gold ribbon, formed the centerpiece.

"More than two-hundred-and-fifty college and alumnae members from over the state attended the luncheon, for which the members of Indianapolis alumnae were hostesses. Mrs James L. Murray, president of the alumnae chapter, presided. Representatives from Alpha, Beta, Gamma, and Alpha Chi chapter

joined the alumnae chapter for the annual party.

"During the luncheon Mrs Roy Metzger of Lebanon, sang the Theta prayer. Following the luncheon, Mrs Jesse Hughes of Greefield, President of District I, gave a talk on Here and there in the District and Mrs Eugenie Overturf, President of District III and Dean of women at Ohio Wesleyan university, spoke on The relation between the college and the fraternity. The presidents of the four college chapters gave short talks. A cast from Alpha Chi gave a stunt, Rush riddles, and one from Gamma, a stunt, Theta diary.

"In the evening a large number attended the dance which was made gay by gifts of music-making toys."—Indianapolis Sunday

Star, Jan. 24.

WHO'S WHO AMONG WESTERN THETAS

ANNA GUTHRIE, Upsilon '92

Even if she had not won fame for herself by distinguished work along a line that had been attempted by no other woman; even if she were not written up in *Who's who in America*, Anna Guthrie would still be one of Kappa Alpha Theta's outstanding members. By the mere force of a remarkable personality she would command attention anywhere.

Miss Guthrie's claim to distinction rests upon her editorship of that well-known reference work, the *Reader's guide to periodical literature*. She held this post for twelve years, from 1902–1914, working for H. W. Wilson Co. publishers, in Minneapolis. When she resigned in 1914 she was including in her *Reader's*

quide 168 magazines.

To the mere layman this seems an appalling task. How could anyone, given only human eyesight and a limited 24-hour day, read 168 magazines a month? Read them understandingly, with that acute perception and mental alertness necessary to seize from the whole content the outstanding points that go into the making of an index? "Not only had I to read these articles from the writer's standpoint," said Miss Guthrie, "but from the standpoint of those who would refer to them. If it was an article on engineering or chemistry I must read it from the viewpoint of an engineer or a chemist."

Naturally, having lived for twelve years with her "child," as Miss Guthrie laughingly (and lovingly) refers to her editorial accomplishments, she has absorbed an enormous amount of information. I doubt if any subject could be mentioned upon which she could not bring forth something from the treasure house of

her memory.

Miss Guthrie wears a Phi Beta Kappa key at the end of a long chain. And she confesses that there has never been a year of her life in which she has not pursued some line of study. Just now she is intensely interested in a course in phonetics for which she goes twice a week to the Cornish school.

Miss Guthrie lives now in Seattle. She has a small but exquisite apartment all to herself in one of Seattle's newest and most charming apartment houses, the Claremont. Her nice fastidiousness delights in the new and immaculate cleanness of it. One knows immediately that her every belonging is indexed and put away in the very spot where that particular belonging should be. There is no crowded look or feeling as in so many small apartments; there is a satisfying "just-rightness" about her rooms, and about her.

Her love of the beautiful is attested by the beautiful things with which she has furnished her rooms. And by her naive delight in sharing them with her friends. A cloisonné vase held a spray of Japanese cherry-blossoms against the raised leaf of an exquisite Sheraton pivot-top table. "Every time I go near it," she said, "I stop to touch or rearrange some bud or leaf."

Later, pointing out the wide window into the night where blazed the city's myriad lights and where hummed the city's rush of traffic, Miss Guthrie remarked, "You see, I could not possibly be lonely, with all this. Not even if I were a lonely soul,—and I'm not."

No, assuredly she is not a lonely soul. Here is a radiant personality. She loves people; she loves living. And, having given so much of herself to life it has returned to her an abundance of its fullness.

ANNE MULHERON, Eta '06

Anne Mulheron is fast becoming one of the well-known women of the west. She is a graduate of the University of Michigan and of Pratt library school, and has held responsible library positions



in Detroit, Los Angeles, and, finally, Portland, Oregon, where she now has the distinction of being head librarian. That this is really an unusual distinction may be judged by the fact that Portland is one of the three really large libraries of the United States which has a woman as its head.

Miss Mulheron is a very dynamic sort of person, thoroughly alive and awake to every situation. She has pulled the Portland library loose from its old standards of conservatism and breathed into it the fresh vigor of her belief in modern business methods.

effective advertising, and a certain civic comradeship. Nothing occurs within the city which is not heralded and chronicled in

the library by bulletins, posters, reading-lists and filed references. Her report shows that in this, her second year, there has been an increase of 100,000 readers,—the best possible proof that her efforts have borne abundant fruit.

During the war Miss Mulheron served as hospital librarian with the circulating libraries of the American library association. She organized libraries at Camp Cody, Fort Bayard, New Mexico,

and also at Savenay, Loire Inferieure, France.

She is tall and dark, with sure, steadfast eyes, and a certain intensity of expression that betokens an inner driving force

intensity of expression that betokens an inner driving force capable of coping with any possible situation. She is a sanely optimistic person, never lacking the courage of her convictions.

HAZEL MAGNUSON, Beta Epsilon '19

Hazel Magnuson, in the short seven years since her graduation from Oregon agricultural college has made a considerable reputation for herself as an authority on cafeteria management.

Miss Magnuson took her B.S. degree in home economics, majoring in institutional management. For the first three years after her graduation she was head of the home economics department in La Grande, Oregon, and here, under her supervision was built a splendid new unit adjoining the high school, known as the manual training and home economics unit.

In 1922 she attended the summer session of the University of Chicago, and in the fall of that year became supervisor of cafeterias in Long Beach, California, a new position created in the schools

at that time.

When she began her work in Long Beach there were five cafeterias in existence, operated separately, upon a concession basis. Today, four years later, she is managing seventeen cafeterias and doing a business which annually amounts to \$175,000. The secret of its success lies in the fact that the cafeterias are operated on a nonprofit basis. Each cafeteria must stand on its own feet, and the only allowances made are to cover expenses and depreciation.

As director of cafeterias Miss Magnuson does all the buying, employs the help, and makes out the menus, planning them so as to give well-balanced meals, featuring the simplest and most wholesome articles of food. She is allowed a book-keeper and two assistants, one of her assistants being her sister Elsie, who graduated last year. But she does every bit of the supervisory work herself, and the new cafeterias, built according to her plans and under her direction, are models in every respect.

MARJORIE DAY, Alpha Delta '13

Marjorie Day is manager of entertainments for all the hotels of the Linnard line,—a chain of exclusive California hotels for wealthy tourists which includes the Fairmont and the Whitcomb in San Francisco; the Tahoe tavern at Lake Tahoe; Samarkand and El Eucanto at Santa Barbara; and the Vista del Arroyo and Huntington at Pasadena. One might call her a sort of glorified hostess who conceives, plans and carries out, with the assistance of her large staff of workers, all the unique and novel entertainments which fill to overflowing the days of wealthy and idle tourists.

She has a most fertile imagination. Life is never allowed to grow stale, nor has any guest ever to feel the encroachment of ennui upon vacation days. Marjorie Day is always at hand with some intriguing plan already in the process of completion. Perhaps a picnic to some point of historical interest; a horse-back party; a trip to some worth-while theater; a bridge tournament; a dinner dance with the details all carefully planned and executed in some startlingly unique manner; maypoles for the children; a children's pageant on the green; an Easter service on the rolling lawns;—these are a few of the novelties that she thinks up to make pleasant the sojourn of jaded tourists.

In her college days Marjorie Day gave vivid promise of her fitness for just the sort of thing which she is now doing so successfully. It was she who trained the choruses and sang in the glee club; she, who coached the college plays and played the star parts herself; she who headed the college clubs and organizations.

After graduation she studied for a year in New York at a dramatic school under the management of the Frohmans, and did her practice work with a Frohman road company. She taught dramatics for a short period at Mary Baldwin institute, and later at the Hollywood school for girls. Still later she trained further at the Little theater of Los Angeles under the gifted Ordrynski. The war took her to Washington where she arranged the recreational activities of the federal women workers, from which she went into community service with the west coast as her field for the supervision of communal dramatics.

Because of her mother's illness she resigned from the Community service league in order to make her home in Los Angeles. And very soon came the offer from Mr Linnard of the position of recreational director at the hotel Maryland, Pasadena.

Marjorie Day is a splendid physical type of woman with a carriage and poise of manner that would win her admiration anywhere. Her chief charm lies in her animated expression rather than

in her features. She is remarkably gifted. She sings, dances, and plays the piano equally well; is an accomplished horse-woman;

reads widely and talks intelligently.

Her place of residence varies somewhat, since she presides at the different hotels according to their varying tourist seasons. The winter months she spends at Pasadena, midsummer at Tahoe, and goes to the other hotels between times. If she ever feels a too-great pressure and demand upon that actively creative brain of hers, nobody knows it. She is always the same radiant, unwearied, and eager hostess.

MAYME McDONALD, Alpha Sigma '21

Mayme McDonald has won tennis championships in almost every part of the country,—in Washington, Oregon, Arizona, Texas, Connecticut, New Hampshire, New York,—not to mention British Columbia and Bermuda. Last year she was sixth ranking tennis player in the United States.

After graduating from the university of Washington she spent some time at both Washington state college and at the University of Arizona as physical training director, and a year or so later took

a post graduate course at Columbia University...

Miss McDonald holds so many athletic records at the University of Washington that she does not remember them all. As early as 1917 the Seattle Post-Intelligencer hailed her as the best girl athlete on the Pacific coast:

"Miss McDonald has yet to try her hand at any sport at which she did not shatter some kind of a record. She is a wizard at the net game, but also stars at baseball, basketball, hockey, track,

and,—as she admitted rather bashfully,—football."

She is a slim, merry-eyed little blonde, tipping the scales at a bare 115 pounds, but making up in energy and action what she lacks in weight. She is an example of what athletics will do for a girl, always in perfect health, and consequently, in perfect spirits. To her life is a beautiful thing, and she enjoys it to the full. She loves wandering in strange and new places and meeting new people. She works hard, but to her, work, as almost everything else, is fun. Because of her happy philosophy and her witty interpretation of life, she is the dearest comrade in the world.

At present she is head of physical training at the University of New Hampshire although she claims Seattle as her residence. Indicative of the public acclaim which she has won in her field are the requests which come to her from sport magazines asking for

articles on phases of athletics.

Ruth de Pledge Burgunder, Alpha Lambda

In Memoriam

Dorothy Nau, Alpha Omega

Dorothy Nau died at the Eye and ear hospital, Pittsburgh, December 21, 1925. She had gone there for a minor operation, and died under the anaesthetic. Dorothy attended the University of Pittsburgh for two years, and her sister, Katherine, was graduated in 1919. Both girls are members of Alpha Omega. Their father died just a week after Dorothy.

Edith Endsley

MINNIE REXFORD NICKERSON, Upsilon

Mrs Ernest Nickerson (Minnie Rexford) charter member of Upsilon chapter, died early in January of pneumonia while traveling abroad. Her daughter, who was with her, also developed pneumonia and died soon after her mother.

ELIZABETH RUSSELL EATON, Beta Eta

It is with greatest sorrow that Beta Eta speaks of the death of Elizabeth Eaton, who was drowned last August at Brownsburg, Pennsylvania. Elizabeth, a member of the class of '23, was an outstanding person in the activities of the chapter and was a loyal worker in the interests of Kappa Alpha Theta. All who knew her realize with the deepest feeling that they have lost a sincere friend.

Elizabeth E. Humphreys

SARAH B. WELSH, Mu

Miss Sarah B. Welsh, Mu '84, died at her home in Los Angeles, California, November 8, 1925. She was a most lovable person and a loyal Theta.

Mae Goff Smith

ISABEL WELLS PARKHURST, Tau

Isabel Wells Parkhurst (Mrs Charles Percy) of Tau chapter, died July 11, 1924.

RUTH RAY, Tau

Ruth Ray, Tau, died January 10, 1926, at her home in California.

PERMANENT ALUMNAE SECRETARIES FOR

COLLEGE CHAPTERS

In order that the records of members, with up-to-date addresses, may be accurately kept, each college chapter has a permanent alumna secretary—that is to say one loyal and devoted alumna is chosen to keep the chapter membership record and the card catalogue of members.

When you move or marry, or do anything else that should be recorded on your membership card, please notify the Permanent alumna secretary of your college chapter. To aid you in locating her promptly, and to aid the State chairmen in turning to the efficient source for information of Thetas who stray from, or into, their states, a list of these efficient, hard working secretaries is here printed Preserve the list, for it will appear only once a year in the magazine.

Where no name and address follows a chapter name, it is because notice of the secretary's name and address has not yet reached the magazine. A supplementary list, completing the roll

we hope, will appear in the May magazine.

Alpha-Mrs Isaac Hammond, Greencastle, Ind.

Beta-Edna Johnson, 213 S. Dunn st. Bloomington, Ind.

Gamma—Martha Updegraff, 2728 N. Pennsylvania av. Indianapolis, Ind.

Delta—Mrs J. G. Thomas, 809 S. First st. Champaign, Ill. Eta—Mrs F. B. Vedder, 1047 Olivia st. Ann Arbor, Mich. Iota—Mrs W. Forrest Lee, 536 Thurston av. Ithaca, N. Y. Kappa—Isla Wilhelmia, 603 Ohio st. Lawrence, Kan.

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Delaware, O.

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Alpha Eta-

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Alpha Mu—Mrs John Bedford, Columbia, Mo.

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Alpha Xi—Mrs T. I. Chapman, 1875 Kincaid st. Eugene, Ore. Alpha Omicron—Ruth Moore, Theta House, Norman, Okla. Alpha Pi—Mrs A. M. Lommen, 516 S. 4th st. Grand Forks, N. D.

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Beta Delta—Mrs Frank O'Reilly, 5 Brady ct. Tucson, Ariz.

Beta Epsilon—Mrs W. L. Kadderly, 2647 Arnold Way, Corvallis, Ore.

Beta Zeta-Mrs P. A. Wilbur, 303 West st. Stillwater, Okla.

Beta Eta-

Beta Theta—Margaret Dickinson, Theta House, Moscow, Idaho.

Beta Iota—Elizabeth Thompson, Boulder, Colo.

Beta Kappa—Mrs Edgar Brown, 3222 4th st. Des Moines, Iowa.

Beta Lambda—Emily Hall, Williamsburg, Va.

Beta Mu-Leona Burgman, Reno, Nev.

Beta Nu-Mrs K. Bowden, Wildwood, Fla.

Beta Xi—Fern M. Bouck, 760 N. Mentor av. Pasadena, Cal.

Comradeship—from north and south and east and west,
Opportunity—for gaining what is best.
National spirit—ever strong and full and free,
Vision of a Gamma Phi that is to be.
Endeavor, too,—that's tireless in her cause;
Nonsense, fun, frivolity—in ev'ry pause.
Tonic from this very work and play and fun
I ncreased enthusiasm, zeal, for ev'ry one.
Old friends, true friends of college days to greet;

New ties to form and strengthen—and new friends to meet.
—Gamma Phi Beta, Crescent

WHO'S WHERE IN FOREIGN LANDS

Kiukiang, Ki, China, June 14, 1925.

Our schools have closed early in a sympathy strike for Shanghai. The students wanted to stop classes but stay in school, going out to make speeches, collect money, etc. but we said it was too great a responsibility to take to have girls out on the streets, so we hurriedly gave finals and closed school. It is so easy for young, enthusiastic students to go out and stir up a lot of ignorant people and get them to strike, but the students are young and immature and can't see far enough ahead to see the consequences. But funny things happen in the midst of anxious days. For instance, the student who came from Shanghai to stir up our Kiukiang students against the foreigner, came dressed in foreign clothes and as he talked and harangued "to boycott the foreigner's goods—to use Chinese materials, etc. to love China," there he stood clothed in foreign style and didn't seem conscious of his inconsistency in the least.

In spite of the trouble life goes on normally about us. There is a school orphan who has failed and failed in her class—one of those girls who just can't study, so our principal quietly told some one she believed she would find a husband for her. In less than twenty-four hours a desirable husband was presented, for our Christian girls are wanted every where, and as our high school graduates demand college graduates for husbands, it isn't often, unless the man sends her to school himself, that a man with less

education has an opportunity to marry our girls.

When the man came back to make the final arrangements of satisfactory gifts, engagement feast, etc. (the gifts were two gold rings, a gold pin and gold hair ornament, and a silk dress, which is considered a very fine arrangement according to his station) he said he was perfectly satisfied not to see the girl. But our principal always insists that any young people she helps get married must see each other at least once, so we brought her in. They were introduced and the girl gave him a very searching look then smiled (and American girls could well learn the art from her!). That much was new China. Then old China conquered and she dropped her eyes and sat without a word or without lifting her eyes. But her one glance seems to have been enough for she is as thrilled as can be over him. How do they do it? Yet really, on the whole, it seems to work out very successfully. I believe Chinese adjust themselves to each other more easily than we foreigners do, then the girls don't demand or expect so much—nor do they get as much for that matter, but some of them have very happy homes.

Helen Ferris

Sangli, India, June 15, 1925.

In the thirteen years I have been in India I have seen just two Thetas, my own college-mate, Mrs Charles Thompson of Allabahad, and a Mrs McConnell who has long since left India. Certainly there are no Thetas within a thousand miles of me. That fact, and also the knowledge that there are many interested in and working for Kappa Alpha Theta, and nobody but me to help these brown mothers and bairns and school boys right about us, has made my fraternity, dear though it was and is, seem like a luxury and a very remote one. I do believe in the Scholarship fund with all my heart. Let's get all the education we can, and keep on getting it until the day of our death. It is so easy to stagnate in a small inland town in India with few visitors, no libraries, and no foreigners but our own small force, and yet so important to keep fresh and keen if we are going to be able to help anyone at all to the more abundant life.

We live in a Brahman state and the Brahmans are the very highest of the Brahmans, too! They carry themselves like emperors and you wonder (until you know them) if anyone could ever be so arrogant as they look. Upon acquaintance many of them prove to be delightful, cultured, musical, with splendid minds, and the very purest of accents. The men laughingly admit that the study of English has spoiled their native tongue, but the women, like the Parisian and Pekingese, speak their own language exquisitely. Lovely and graceful as they often are, they are at least fifty years behind in matters of hygiene and sanitation, childwelfare, and so on. That is why we hope to make our beautiful new Kindergarten building (which is nearly completed) a center

for such work among the women and children.

You might be interested to hear about the American unit in India of the International woman's federation of college graduates. That name is wrong, I am sure, but you will know what I mean. At Kodaikanal, a hill station in South India where there is a fine school for missionaries' children, so many American women gathered every year that we organized, and in fact are now the headquarters of the American Unit in India. We have only done two important things so far, made out reading courses with suggested subjects for study and books and references, to help those of us who have been out so long that we do not know what to read, and helped Indian girls studying in America financially. This year we had an evening meeting to which we asked all the college alumnae on the hill. There were English, Scottish, Irish, Swedish, Danish, Indian and Australians besides the Americans who were of every college under the sun from Wellesley to California. It seemed to me a wonderfully fine, keen body of women and I'm sure we shall keep on with these international gatherings with their possibilities of mutual help and inspiration.

Jane Corbett Goheen

REVOLVING LOAN FUNDS PROVE MORE USEFUL

Assistance involving an average loan of \$165.25 has been rendered to 760 students during the three years since the Division of student loans began to operate. This total disbursement of \$125,597 represents an average annual expenditure of \$41,865. Had this money been restricted to the use of the income at the rate of 6% from an expenditure of \$41,865 each year for three years, a total of only \$15,071.40 would have been available for loans during that period. With the same average loan a total of only 91 students could have been aided in the same length of time.

Thus it can be seen that the revolving loan fund as operated by the Division of student loans is more than eight times as useful as the restricted fund. In order to assist an equal number of students with the same average loan by means of a restricted fund an investment of approximately \$700,000

would be necessary.—Harmon foundation, News bulletin

THETA PRIZE SONG CONTEST FOR 1926

Thetas everywhere—an opportunity presents itself. Here is your chance to acquire fame—also, remuneration. The Theta Prize Song Contest for 1926 is on. How about some new ideas in Theta songs? We have, we know, some very fine musical talent among our ever growing alumnae. And certainly our college chapters must have various rising feminine George Gershwins and Irving Berlins. We have had all sorts and conditions of songs in the past; the sacred, the sentimental, and dare we add, the jazzy. How about a catchy, peppy lyric with a melody so infectious that it will sing itself, that it will reach from "Coast to coast, from the North to the Southland" and that can be made the hit of the San Francisco convention? Yes, we said fame!

The conditions of the contest are:

 Music and words both must be original.
 Music must be written with ink on Schirmer's manuscript paper No. 2, or similar twelve staff paper.

3. Words must be typed on the music paper, or else an extra

typed copy of words attached to the music.

4. Manuscripts are not to be signed, but are to be accompanied by a sealed envelope containing name and address, with title of song on outside of this envelope.

5. Combined as well as individual efforts will be acceptable.

6. Manuscripts must be in by May 30, 1926.

7. Roll manuscripts, do not fold.

8. Every Theta is eligible to enter the contest. You do not have to be an undergraduate, an alumna, or active in a chapter or club. All you have to do to enter the contest is to be a Theta and to submit your manuscript on time-or sooner.

Keep the Washington alumnae Song committee busy, work them overtime and send your manuscripts by May 26, 1926 to Mrs Lawrence Stabler, 2904 P. st. N.W. Washington, D. C.

> Come on Thetas everywhere Write a catchy song. Don't you need the cash to help Your treasury along?

> Our Song Book's full of classics. Old favorites sweet and low, So let's add to the peppy ones, The catchy ones that go.

> > Mrs Lawrence Stabler, Alpha Beta, chairman, Mrs Glenn I. Tucker, Alpha Dorothy Perrott, Alpha Pi

MARY JEAN SIMPSON, Lambda

"The first woman to hold the office" is the caption under the photograph of Mary Jean Simpson in the New York Sunday Times for January 24. The office referred to is that of Bill clerk of the United States Senate.

Miss Simpson has a number of "firsts" to her credit. A member of the Vermont legislature of 1925–1926, the first woman to represent the century-old town of Craftsbury, she was the first bobbed-haired woman to wield the Speaker's gavel, an honor accorded "the member from Craftsbury" during Ladies' week, as a recognition of distinguished merit in her legislative capacity. The press of the state spoke enthusiastically of both her executive and administrative ability, and of the dispatch with



which, as presiding officer, she put through the bills for the day.

Several years earlier in her career, Mary Jean was the first woman principal of Peoples' free academy at Morrisville, one

of the oldest preparatory schools in the state.

At the University of Vermont Founders' Day, May 1, 1925, Mary Jean was the speaker of the day—not the first woman to give the Founders' Day address, for Lambda's Jessie Wright Whitcomb preceded her by a few years, but at least the first "bobbed" member of her sex to speak on this important occasion of the college calendar, where she delivered a profound and scholarly address on The function of the college as a training school for citizenship.

This winter Miss Simpson was booked for a series of lectures throughout Vermont, but they were necessarily cancelled when she was, at a moment's notice, appointed to the post of Bill clerk of the U. S. Senate, the first woman to hold this important and

responsible position.

Mary Jean is a loyal and enthusiastic member of Lambda, of the class of 1913, and was Burlington alumnae delegate to the 1915 convention at Gearhart-by-the-sea. Not only Lambda, but her host of friends everywhere, are rejoicing in the honors she has won, and predicting for her a brilliant political future.

Nina S. Merrill

SCHOLARSHIP HONORS

College year, 1924-25

Our request for corrections and additions to this section as appearing in the January issue has brought the following information.

For the second semester Kappa Alpha Theta at Butler college stood first, with an average of 84.30, the average for all fraternities being 78%.

At William and Mary college, Julia Dixon of Beta Lambda chapter was elected to Phi Beta Kappa in June 1925.

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"THE BIG FOUR BUNK"

"I belong to one of the 'Big Four,'" we hear a student say and so we launch upon a discussion of the national fraternity. How impressive! It sounce upon a discussion of the national fraterity. How impressive! It sounds like a railroad or a new automobile, but there is no such classification of fraternities. Charitable smiles are too good for the man who, naming his own group first, gives the interested listener such a canon of judgment; he deserves a laugh. Fraternity types vary so much that it is impossible even to approximate a fixed list of the best. All have vulnerable spots as well as noble achievements to their credit and it would take more than a government statistician to arrive at a correct conclusion as to relative value. Yet we hear

such absurd classifications continually; discountenance them!

College life and opinion are intolerant to anything which differs greatly from its own kind. If we belong to a certain type of college, all others are considered bogus. As a matter of fact, the only point of similarity between schools today is the same type of scholarship and even this differs widely. Perhaps Chicago, a big city university, can see little merit in Sewanee, a small school perched on a mountain top; the Dartmouth and Virginia type may look askance on the strictly state universities, such as Oregon State and Oklahoma; Williams and Davidson may not understand how Columbia or Pittsburgh can have a decent fraternity chapter. So the struggle goes on because we judge the other school in the eyes of our own. The South is slow, the West is raw, and the East is snobbish, we conclude, leaving out, of course, our own particular section, which is nearly perfect! Few of us can travel and see for ourselves and so we draw our hasty and false conclusions. This college conceit is a curse to the solidarity of a fraternity. Phi Gamma Delta should be proud of its widely differing representation.—Phi Gamma Delta

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CHAPTER NEWS

A few comments on manuscript letters as received.

Phi and Beta Mu are the two chapters whose letters were printed just as received, not because their editors so requested, but because they were perfect in form as to spelling, style, etc. Congratulations to Barbara Marx and Lucile Summerfield.

Alpha Chi wrote the best and most comprehensive, newsy

first paragraph.

Letters from Alpha, Kappa, Sigma, Alpha Beta, Beta Lambda had no dates. And the date style was wrong, on the letters of Beta, Gamma deuteron, Delta, Rho, Chi, Psi, Alpha Gamma, Alpha Eta, Alpha Theta, Alpha Iota, Alpha Kappa, Alpha Lambda, Alpha Mu, Alpha Xi, Alpha Sigma, Alpha Upsilon, Beta Gamma, Beta Mu, Beta Xi.

The heading of the letter of Alpha, Gamma deuteron, Alpha

Beta was either incorrect or incomplete.

Delta, Omicron, and Alpha Theta editors please get some Latin shark in the chapter to explain to you the difference between alumni and alumnae.

Numerous chapters, try to eliminate "held" from your vocabularies as applying to parties, banquets, dances, and other social functions; and also remember you go to college now, not to school.

Panhellenic is spelled this way. Basketball is one word. This is the proper date form—January 3, not January third, nor, January 3d, nor, the third of January.

Alpha Beta and Alpha Xi where are your typewriters?

Please, there is a time to write *Francis* and a time to write *Frances*. Find out which is which where.

ALPHA-DE PAUW UNIVERSITY

First, our Christmas party given by the pledges. Really, just before Christmas is not the right time psychologically to give such a party. We all act so darling then that we get homesick for each other right at the last minute. This time the pledges gave us a beautiful new Brunswick console.

Next, there are a number of changes in the house personnel. All upperclass pledges, except one, are moving into the house. We wish there was room in the house for all pledges. Alice Patrick, affiliate from Omicron, is also moving into the house, and Mildred

Johnson is returning to college this semester. Mildred Robinson is leaving, to take special work at Indiana university.

Finally there are finals. They have been going on, they are

going on, they will be going on.

30 January 1926

Mary Walker

Mary Weik was married Dec. 9 to Joseph Grefalcori of New York City, where they will make their home. Mary has been engaged in journalism since graduating in 1919 and is now critic on the *Metropolitian magazine*. Elizabeth T. Ferguson and Jas. S. McNair were married Oct. 16. Address: Avenida Apts. Spokane, Wash.

BETA-INDIANA UNIVERSITY

December 12, we gave our Christmas dance, a great success. The house appropriately was decorated in Christmas trimmings, and everything was carried out in true Christmas fashion.

The freshman entertained the upperclassmen with a party at the house December 16. The house cleverly was transformed into a hotel, and a lovely dinner was served the guests. Several stunts were presented which showed a marked degree of cleverness.

Mrs Edith Gronendyke Jackson, Newcastle, Indiana, who chaperoned us the opening week of college, presented a beautiful picture to the house. The chapter presented a writing portfolio to Miss Jean Beckes, chaperon of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Miss Beckes was formerly house mother of the Delta Upsilon chapter of Carnegie Tech.

The chapter as a whole was unable to attend the State luncheon January 23, because its date conflicted with final examination schedules. However Derexa Pentreath and Irma Kuster went to both the luncheon and dance. During examination week Mrs Burton Meyers, Bloomington alumna, sent the chapter a basket of

fruit.

Vera Reynolds was operated on for appendicitis January 21. She is recovering rapidly.

25 January 1926

Katherine Wasmuth

GAMMA—BUTLER UNIVERSITY

Gamma led all fraternities in scholarship during the last spring semester. Theta's average was 84.302 while the grand average of

all fraternity students was 78.290.

December 17, we had our annual Christmas party. The freshmen entertained with a stunt, and each pledge sang an original Theta song. Each class presented a gift to the house: the seniors, a lovely mahogany end-table; the juniors, a brocaded table-runner; the sophomores, a lamp-shade; the freshmen, a piano bench. Our Mother's club gave us an electric sweeper. Beautiful rugs for

the living-room and hall were the gift of our alumnae. A slumber-party was held at the house that night and early the next morning we carolled at the other fraternity houses.

On New Year's day we held open house for alumnae and friends. January 23, District I celebrated Founders'-day with a luncheon at Indianapolis. Mrs Lucy Hughes Murray, president of Indianapolis alumnae chapter was toastmistress. Mrs Eugenie Overturf, president of District III and Dean of women at Ohio Wesleyan, was the honor guest. Gamma entertained with a stunt, A Theta's diary. The state dance was that evening.

Dorothy June Jackson, freshman, has been selected as a mem-

ber of the women's varsity debating team.

We are sorry to lose Rosemary Smith who had to leave college in the middle of the semester because of illness; Mary McCann, leaving to be married; Mary Ann Huggins, leaving to join her parents in St Petersburg, Florida. Mary Ann was president of Phi Delta Phi.

28 January 1926

Helen Louise Wilson

GAMMA DEUTERON—OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY

We have been busy with campus activities. Of the thirty girls chosen as representative women in the three upper classes, Gamma Deuteron claims nine. They are—seniors, Ruth Thomas; juniors Jean Coman, Dorothy Holden, Janet Arnold, Margaret Richardson, Cleora Bell, and Marjorie Hollingsworth; sophomores, Jean Leet and Ernestine Biddle.

As a result of club elections we have Jean Coman, Ernestine Biddle and Dorothy Holden in Histrionic (dramatic) of which Elizabeth Hoffman is vice-president; Janet Arnold, Betty Wheland and Lucile Rhodes in Home economics; Margaret Dixon and Janice Richardson in Philosophy of which Janice is secretary; Frances Naylor in Mathematics; Marjorie Hollingsworth in Singer's; and Carleen Luikart in Boosters of which she is vice-president.

On the staff of publications we have Margaret Richardson on the *Transcript*; Margaret Beech on *Le Bijou*; and Margaret

Dixon and Lillian Murphy on the Mirror.

In dramatics, Elizabeth Hoffman had the feminine lead in Mr Pitt, Ernestine Biddle and Jean Coman had leads in Mrs Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch. Elizabeth Hoffman, Martha Houston, and Lillian Murphy directed plays for the oratory department the first semester. Martha Houston and Elizabeth Hoffman were elected to Theta Alpha Phi, dramatic fraternity.

In recognition of skill in athletics, Jean Coman and Dorothy Holden were elected to Alpha Sigma Nu. Janet Page, Margaret Beech, Jean Coman, and Carleen Luikart made women's Athletic association of which Carleen is president. Carleen was high point winner in the interclass swimming meet and also filled a

place on the All-star basketball team.

Serving on committees are Carleen Luikart, member of Student government; Ruth Thomas, Jean Coman, Marjorie Hollingsworth on Y.W.C.A. Cabinet; Lucile Rhodes and Jean Leet on Student chest; Lillian Murphy on Senior lecture course; Dorothy Holden and Jean Coman on elections; and Janice Richardson on "22d banquet."

In class offices, Margaret Richardson is vice-president of the junior class, and Ruth Thomas vice-president of the senior class.

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Lillian Murphy

Lois Miller's engagement to Raymond Kahle, A $\Sigma \Phi$, has been announced. Katherine Timmons is writing a series of articles for the *Ohio Wesleyan Alumni magazine*.

Wilma Porterfield is teaching English in the high school of Ashley. Frances Auxter is teaching in the high school of London, Ohio.

Announcement has been made of the engagement of Corrine Bell and W. A. Wishart.

DELTA-UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

The last night before vacation, in spite of extremely cold weather, we observed our Christmas custom of singing carols at women's houses and those of our town alumnae. We returned to the house for a Christmas party, Helen Gabeline officiating as Santa Claus.

Dorothy Bredehoff served as a member of the Junior Prom

committee.

Hilda Smith and Seta Butler will graduate in February. We

will miss them both.

Betty Davis entertained the chapter at a charming linen shower for Seta Butler who is soon to be married. The pledges entertained in honor of Seta, who has been their adviser, with a dinner at the Urbana Lincoln hotel. Dorothy Mercer, who takes Seta's place as pledge adviser, was their guest also.

The pledges transported us to Coral Gables January 16, for a dance they gave for the chapter. The Florida effect of the decorations was helped along by striped umbrellas, palms and

real estate signs.

Illinois' new gymnasium is completed and basketball games are being played there. It is a vast improvement over the old gymnasium where things were nothing if not crowded. Paderewski's concert was in this new gymnasium January 22.

We celebrated Founders'-day January 27 by a banquet at

the house. Dean Clark was the only speaker.

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Helen Bess Finch

Dorothy Healy Keele from Missoula, Mont. is visiting us.
Mrs Mame Baldwin Simpson and Mrs Miriam Sanpter Walker spent two
days with us. Their lovely box of "Mrs Snyder's" was appreciated with relish!

Helen Louise Hamilton has transferred to Wellesley college.

ETA-UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

The Panhellenic ball was November 26. This is a dance at which the women of the university are hostesses. Although it is sponsored by Panhellenic it is open to every woman on campus.

The annual bazaar, given by the women of the university for the Womans' league building fund was December 4-5. Thetas again contributed handkerchiefs and served on committees as well as sales-ladies.

There was a great deal of excitement when Catherine Brewer, one of our seniors, suddenly left college to be married. A few weeks before the wedding Eta gave her a midnight supper and shower. Seven of the girls drove to Romeo to attend the wedding at the Congregational church, December 10. Mr and Mrs Lewis Chapman (the bride and groom) left immediately for Durham, South Africa, where they will live.

December 13 was the time chosen for our supper in honor of the Deans of the university. Christmas decorations were used throughout the house, the holiday spirit being enhanced by two Christmas trees, one on either side of the fireplace, and by red candles

The next night we gave our Christmas party. We entertained (and dressed) little Ardelle and Dolores Perkins, who received toys from the Christmas tree in the center of the table.

Social events since the return from the vacation—the Panhellenic dinner, January 11, and an exchange dinner with Kappa

Kappa Gamma, January 12.

The juniors are busy practicing for the Junior girls' play, to be given sometime in March. Thetas who will be in this production are Virginia Fox, Romaine Busch, Selma Alexander, Marjorie Wilson, Florine Storrey, and Virginia Kersey.

30 January 1926 Virginia Burke

The new address of Katharine Sherwood Roberts (Mrs Samuel H) is 1465 Torrey Pines Rd. La Jolla, Calif.

IOTA-CORNELL UNIVERSITY

We held our first tea for the university faculty Sunday, December 6. Mrs Ralph Jones and Mrs Bostwick poured.

Saturday, December 5, we had a victrola tea dance.

Santa Claus made a rather early visit, on the Sunday night before Christmas vacation, at the home of Ithaca alumnae chapter president, Mrs Willis. All Thetas in Ithaca were invited to a delightful informal supper around the Christmas tree, where Santa with a peculiarly feminine voice presented each one a gift which he thought she merited by her conduct throughout the vear.

When Santa came to the chapter house the following Wednesday night, to distribute more gifts, not only was his voice feminine,

but he had a decidedly English accent.

January 16, Iota and Ithaca alumnae celebrated Founders'-day with a luncheon at the Bank restaurant. Mrs McKinney, vice president of Ithaca alumnae, was toastmistress. Mrs Chamberlain talked about the Fraternity of the past, when she was a college member; and Marguerite Hicks, Iota president, spoke of the Fraternity of today.

We are all sorry that Margaret Humeston left the university at the end of the term to prepare for her wedding in the fall. The night before she left we had a formal dinner at the chapter house. Until September she will be in Huntington, Long Island.

Mildred Rockwood and Katherine Saul have returned to college this semester, and Ruth Smith, Phi, has entered Cornell as a junor.

We have had visits from Martha Hahn, Chi, and Betty Lawler

Sigma.

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Viola Oliver

Martha Cannon has left Ithaca for the south because of ill health. We have had visits from Betty Snodgrass, Frances Goodnough and Mrs Iva Springstead Skeele.

Mr and Mrs Kerr Atkinson (Elsie Church) are living at 27 Claffin rd.

Brookline, Mass.

Helen L. McFarland sails June 26 for a European tour with the Raymond, Whitcomb Co. and has been delightfully surprised to find that the chaperon for the party is also a Theta, Elizabeth Morrison, Alpha Epsilon.

KAPPA—UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS

The new semester finds us with a new pledge, Charlotte Martin of Marion, Kansas. Midsemester rushing was not intensive and we gave only two entertainments, an informal dinner and a tea.

Founders'-day was celebrated with a formal banquet for the chapter and alumnae. Jessie Baldridge Lebrecht, Grand president and a member of Kappa chapter, was the principal speaker of the evening. Anna Harrison Nelson, former Grand president and likewise from Kappa chapter, gave an interesting toast. The banquet was managed and planned by Lawrence alumnae club. Each toast was named with a radio term and an entertaining as well as inspiring program was broadcast from station KAO.

We had a glorious time at our Christmas dinner. Alumnae

who were back and helped make the occasion a happy one were Virginia Thorpe, Margaret Wallace, Mrs Jeanette Wagstaff Woodruff, Mrs Josephine Ryan Thompson, Mrs Susanna Moody White. Wilma Miller, Helen Stevens, Marcella Chalkley, and Carolee Smart.

Mary Fox, forced to withdraw from college last semester on account of illness, has re-enrolled. Thelma Marshall of Coffeeville, Kansas, Beta Iota, has entered the University of Kansas.

30 January 1926 Mary Nell Hamilton

Frances Funk has announced her engagement to Lloyd Youse, II K A. Married: Jan. 1, Ruby Phillips and William M. Wood. At home in Denver, Colo.

Married: Dec. 28, Carolee Smart and William Cargill Sproul, Φ K Ψ.

At home in Detroit, Mich.

Married: Nov. 24, Harriet Patterson and Lawrence Heins. At home in Abilene, Kan.

Married: Dec. 16, Frances Hitchcock and Russel H. Kilgore. At home

in El Dorado, Kan. Married: Dec. 29, Virginia Haynes and Burton C. Briggs. At home in

Born: Dec. 11, to Mr and Mrs C. P. May (Maria Slade) a son, John Slade May.

LAMBDA—UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT

Those of us who live in the house had a homey Christmas supper and tree to put us in the mood for vacation. The house had a present of two lovely sofa pillows which we are keeping for best.

Founders'-day came during the last week of exams but that was no hinderance to our observing the day together with our alumnae at a party given by them at the house. The college chapter contributed a stunt to the entertainment, but the chief feature was an original operetta presented by the alumnae. The freshman's quest, which finely interpreted the spirit of the fraternity. Then we all had a Theta sing and our alumnae showed their usual genius in giving us just the right thing for refreshments.

The Glee club concert was the most outstanding recent women's activity. Our new Music department made of especial interest a program of Russian music and old English Madrigals. In addition to the Thetas who are members of the club, Eleanor Chapman, acted as violin soloist, and Margaret Hazen as her accompanist.

Katherine Griffith is chairman of the women's Winter Carnival. She and Dorothy Dearing are members of the Sophomore Hop committee.

We are ever so glad to have Dorothy Harvey back. She has been in France for what seems a very long time and has returned to graduate with the class of '26.

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Elisabeth D. Howe

Mary Jean Simpson is the first woman to be appointed to the office of Journal Clerk in the United States Senate; she has also been made state chairman of the Education committee of the women's Republican club of Vermont.

Mable Watts Mayforth (Mrs H. A.) has been appointed chairman of the

local volunteer Better homes committee for Burlington, Vt.

MU-ALLEGHENY COLLEGE

Every college is afflicted with examinations and so everyone will know just how we have spent most of our time the last month.

But there have been some good times to keep up our courage.

Going back to December 11, our fall party was such a success that it must be mentioned. Then, December 16 the girls of the college had a Christmas party with the usual trimmings. After a lovely long vacation, the Panhellenic dance, given annually by the girls, proved as popular as ever. Everybody knew the Charleston, too. It was also in January that Mu entertained the faculty ladies and alumnae at a tea in the chapter rooms. January 27, a familiar date to all Thetas, we celebrated with a dinner at Saegertown Inn. We had the private dining-room, black and gold favors, and 'good cheer songs were certainly filling the air.' The Junior Prom was duly appreciated January 29, coming as it did the evening after the last exam. The girls at Hulings hall bought an Ampico for which Dr Church has kindly offered to arrange a benefit concert if the girls will sell tickets. Initiation will be February 13.

An interest in dramatics has been revived at Allegheny. Both the men's and women's clubs have been reorganized and are to start try-outs early in the new term. The senior class will present *Charley's Aunt*, for which rehearsals are well under way.

Virginia Hatch is a member of the cast.

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Mary Josephine Webb

Born, Oct. 22, a daughter to Mr and Mrs J. M. Crabbs (Florence Phillips) of Painesville, O.

Rev and Mrs Wm. L. Stidger (Iva Berkey) are living at 6251 Wornall rd.

Kansas city, Mo.

OMICRON-UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Omicron is proud of her members in activities. Sally Taschke is directing the junior play, *The goose hangs high*. Ruth Burns is carrying a leading role in the same play. Heloise LeClaire, Jessie Lois Deeble, Jemima Walters, Pauline Klene, Helen Klene, Jeanne Casenave, Margaret Cranston and Veryl Sweeney are taking part in the annual extravaganza, *Troubles*, an original all campus production. Dorothy Taft was initiated into Zeta Phi Eta, the national speech fraternity. Jemima Walter is captain of the

freshman swimming team. At the freshman swimming meet she took five first places. Mary Main has been initiated into the Press club. Pauline Klene was unanimously elected secretary of the junior class. The play written by Dorothy Davis in the Apolliad contest was accepted. Her *Deputation committee skit* is to be used in the high schools for publicity.

The Los Angeles tennis club, decorated with evergreens, was the setting of Omicron's Christmas formal, December 22. Margaret Barnard and Louise Holland worked to bring the dance its

success.

Our Christmas party to the Mothers and Fathers was at the chapter house December 14. The usual exchange of verses among chapter members was followed by the distribution of gifts from parents, alumnae and freshmen to the house. Gifts were—a cream and sugar set, salt and pepper shakers, fire dogs and screen, endtable, wood basket, dinner gong, table runner, fillet buffet runner, long mirror, set of furniture, table cloths, and towels. The day following we entertained thirty Mexican children with a Christmas tree party at the chapter house. To carry out the spirit of the holiday season, the girls living in the house sang Christmas Carols at all other fraternity houses.

The Sigma Chi fraternity carried Theta colors in the interfraternity track meet. They took third place. We are entertaining

them with an informal dance at the house January 29.

January 30, the Founders'-day banquet will be held at the Vista del Aroyo in Pasadena. A prize will be awarded to the chapter with 100 per cent present. Omicron hopes to take home the prize. Elizabeth Horne is our representative on the committee.

During the past semester we entertained twelve professors and their wives at dinner. There are eighteen girls living in the chapter house. Nellie Pederson and Marion Scharf have had to cancel registration due to illness, and are living at home.

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Veryl Sweeney

Frances Yeager and Dorothy Campbell were visiting in Los Angeles and attended the Christmas formal.

Helen and Frances Seaman are home from Europe.

Mrs Winchell Boice (Marion Walker) has visited meeting several times. Mary Ellen Martin, of DePauw and Purdue, is on the campus taking graduate work.

RHO-UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA

Rho celebrated Founders'-day with a luncheon at the chapter house January 30. That day was also mid-year pledge day, when Mary Elizabeth Sproul, Sparta, Illinois, and Katherine King, O'Neill, were pledged.

Before vacation we had a Christmas party at which the pledges gave a clever stunt. They dressed in pajamas, sat in a circle on the floor, and sang a verse about each upperclassman. On the following evening we entertained 40 children for dinner and a regular Christmas party afterwards. Each girl gave one child an article of clothing and a toy, and the chapter gave them each a stocking of candy.

We held our annual upperclassman dinner dance January 9. and invited the freshmen in to the dance afterward. We will give

our formal February 26 at the Lincoln hotel.

University hall, with only one story and a basement, is being used again for classes. A new building for Fine arts classes is being planned, to be called Morrill hall. It is to be built opposite the new coliseum, which is almost finished, facing on U street.

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Millicent Ginn

Married: Edith Royal Tyler to Robert H. Olmsted, Jr. Σ X, Dec. 28. Address: Plaza hotel, Milwaukee, Wis. Married: Imogene Evans to George Paul Borglum, Σ Φ Ε, Dec. 5.

Born to Mr and Mrs Roland Alfred Jefferson (Frances Burt) Jan. 12, a

son, Henry Scandrett.
Born to Dr and Mrs Everett Angle (Catherine Dodge) Jan. 28, a son

William Dodge.

Visitors at the chapter house during the past month include Mrs Rachel Trestor Sine, Mrs Roberta Spain Phelps, Mrs Blanche Strader Smith and Margaret Weber.

SIGMA-UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

A considerable increase in our numbers has made chapter life more interesting. Everyone is busy getting fully acquainted with the new initiates and pledges. It is not such a difficult task, however, as everyone got to know the girls fairly well during the fall term when countless tea parties assisted the two official parties. An international fair, constituting the first party, December 5 was arranged by our alumnae at Alice McMaster's. With their usual originality the alumnae provided a series of entertainments which kept every one thoroughly amused. Costumes of many lands, stunts such as Mrs Jarley's wax works, and delicious food diverted the guests pleasantly. Such an informal party gave us an excellent opportunity of meeting the rushees. Peggy Ussher very kindly gave her home for the second party January 15. This time we entertained the rushees with a dance, an interesting contrast to the first party. A week of silence intervened between the dance and pledging on Jaunary 25. We are particularly pleased to claim as pledges Nora Doran, Elizabeth Fraser, Jessie Paterson. Helen Spence, Marie Wilson, and Mary Wyndow-all of Toronto. After pledging Thetas went en masse to the theater.

January 9 was the date of initiation, held at the chapter rooms. The initiates are Gwen Mulock, Mary Grant, Kathleen Hobday,

Helen and Maude Lacey—all pledged in fall term.

Several other scheduled parties promise to be amusing:—the Founders'-day party at Margaret Keith's, with stunts by pledges and initiates; the annual Panhellenic dinner February 1; and, most important of all, the dance February 11.

The chapter is much interested in the intercollegiate debates, as Helen O'Reilly has been chosen to represent the university.

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Jean C. Stewart

Nancy Ewart has announced her engagement to Dawson Delamere. Born to Mr and Mrs John Duncan (Phyllis Anderson) a daughter, Alice Elizabeth.

Dr Mary Cowan has announced her engagement to Dr Maitland. Edith Williams is working with the Emigration office in London, England.

TAU—NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY See page 346

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UPSILON—UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

The following girls became Thetas January 19: Aileen Powers, Alta Feton, Marion Marshall, Janet Bjornstad, Theodota Davis, Alice Cassidy, Helen Mulroney, and Bessie Strange.

We have, also, two new pledges: Bernadine Dunn, from Superior, Minnesota, and Rebecca McDonald, (sister of Ruth)

from Annandale, Minnesota.

The party the pledges gave for the chapter December 1 was a gay affair. Besides confetti and streamers there were balloons of all colors, which we tied to our ankles during one dance, trying in vain to keep them from bursting under our neighbors' heels.

Santa Claus certain didn't neglect the Thetas this year—he even brought Mrs Santa with him for our annual Christmas party. With many a rhyme and pun they presented each girl with a tencent present. Besides that, there were two real gifts—a beautiful lace table runner from Mrs Moore, our housemother, and a pair of handsome candlesticks from the pledges.

We are looking forward to the Junior Ball with unusual enthusiasm because Mary Forssel will lead it. We have many reasons to be proud of Mary, as she is one of the most active girls

on campus.

We are proud too of Alta Feton, who is to play an important role in *Guilty fingers*, Masquer's production; of Theodota Davis, who has been elected vice-president of the Art education department; of Julia Waldo, who has charge of a section of the 1927 *Gopher*.

Our Mothers' club, always finding ways to help us, bought us a new set of dishes. We will use them for the first time at our formal February 22.

We are awaiting Founders'-day banquet, where it is rumored some alumnae will show us what Theta life was like in 1889.

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Dorothy Jackson

Married: Marjorie Child to K. Wallace Husted, Oct. 1. Address: 2001 Marshall av. St. Paul, Minn.

Announcement is made of the engagement of Marion Andrews to Arthur Upgren, X Ψ . The wedding will take place in February.

The sympathy of Thetas goes to Bessie Dockstader Francis, whose hus-

band died this winter.

In Jan. a son was born to Mr and Mrs Hanford MacNider (Margaret

McAuley).

Mrs G. T. Plowman (Maude Bell) has returned to Cambridge, Mass.

after a year spent in England.

The new address of Mrs Orrin Lee (Dominica Faricy) is 992 De Soto st St. Paul, Minn.

PHI-STANFORD UNIVERSITY

The approach of the first rushing of the year finds the Theta house well fortified with furnishings. A chair, a smoking stand, new curtains, a small divan, a hall table, and, to cap the climax, a stunning Chinese rug have all been purchased with the help of gift money, and transform completely the appearance of the hall and living room.

This quarter we miss Clara Lou Nisbit, who will return in spring, and Betty Williams, who has gone to Rome for a year. Carolyn Pierce, who graduated in December, lives in Palo Alto, and keeps in close touch with us; Alberta Williamson is back after several months abroad; and Louise Merritt, Alpha Beta, is in the house; so in number we are as many as Fall quarter. Mary Elizabeth Beedy, Helen Ames and Janet Wallace are all in Paris.

Barbara Perkins is chairman, and Eleanor Davidson a member of a committee to investigate the point system for regulating women's activities. Ruth Jordan is on Junior Opera committee, and has been elected to Theta Sigma Phi. Eleanor Davidson is president of the Women's debating society, and was elected to Delta Sigma Rho, national men's debating fraternity. She is the first Stanford woman to receive this honor. Alberta Williamson, Josephine Piggott, Eleanor Davidson, Barbara Marx, Charlotte Lovekin, Christine Tapley, Madeline Frick and Marion McCardle are on committees for the Fiesta Lagunita to be presented spring quarter by the women of Stanford.

Although the official tables are not yet available, we know definitely that Phi's scholarship improved appreciably Fall quarter.

The Founders'-day luncheon in San Francisco January 23 was

well attended by Phi and Omega, and by alumnae from many other chapters as well. The discussion of convention plans brought to us of the "open spaces" some realization of the opportunities we shall have in July.

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Barbara Marx

Bess Ferguson was married Oct. 16 to James S. McNair. Address: Avenida Apts. Spokane, Wash.

Mr and Mrs Thomas J. Hamlyn (Elizabeth Lawrence) are in Wallace,

Idaho, where Mr Hamlyn is engaged in mining engineering.

Florence Whittier was married to William Sayre Carey, 9X, Dec. 31, at

Stanford university. Mr and Mrs Cary are living at Trona, Cal.

Miriam Ebright and Charles Webster Doe, B O II, Stanford '21, were married in San Francisco in Dec. Address: Diamond Springs, El Dorado Co, Cal.

Virginia Graves will sail for Europe on the S.S. Caronia Mar. 27.

Lucy Allabach Lichty (Mrs W. G.) was in Feb. reelected president of the board of directors of the Des Moines, Iowa, Y.W.C.A. Mrs Lichty's work in obtaining funds for modernizing the Y.W.C.A. headquarters and enlarging its field of service have been fine contributions to her city's civic life.

Nora Parker Coy has resigned from the Pasadena high school faculty and joined the staff of the Parker ice machine Co. in San Bernardino.

Margaret Robertson, graduate of Stanford medical school, is now an interne at the New England hospital for women and children in Boston.

Mr and Mrs J. B. F. Baker (Heloise Lysle) as a honeymoon are spending a year travelling around the world.

CHI-SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY

Now that mid-semester exams are passed, or at least past, we have been crowding out worries by the gaieties of Senior week. First on the schedule of events came Senior Ball in all its brilliancy of colored lights, beautiful gowns, and blissful music played by Vincent Lopez himself. The favors were hammered silver bracelets with a clasp bearing the Greek letters of Tau Theta Upsilon, the senior society giving the dance. Saturday, the following night, were the fraternity formals, not as pretentious, but heaps more fun. Sunday came as a heaven sent day of rest in between the dances and the Boar's Head play at the Weiting, Beastly beauty, with dinner dances preceding. Then Tuesday we start registering for the second semester with the possibility of settling down to a normal existence again.

The next Monday the alumnae and college chapters plan to celebrate the anniversary of Chi with a buffet dinner at the chapter house, foolish stunts, and the presentation of the birthday gifts. I'll tell you next time what they are-I've heard they are

to be quite wonderful.

Before the holidays we invited the parents of all the city girls to be with us at a get-together Sunday night lunch. We had a jolly time and all enjoyed meeting and getting acquainted.

December 12 we entertained a crowd of youngsters from the

orphans home with a tree and a sure enough Santa Claus. Each one got a practical gift of warm stockings, and a toy to play with, besides candy canes and goodies. That night we had our Christmas formal with decorations of pine bows and a lot of snow and icicles, in spite of which the party waxed warm and merry. Each girl selected an appropriate and inexpensive gift for her partner and presented it with a poem. Santa distributed them among shrieks of laughter as each read his aloud.

We are sorry to lose one pledge, Helen Semmence, who was married during vacation, but are glad to add Dorothy Kelly to our pledge list. We hope to repeat last year's record of initiating

all pledges in the spring.

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Dorothy Jane Sutherland

Sept. 12 Marian Green was married to S. Curtis King Jr. Feb. 3 Elma Warner Hodges and James Barnes Lape were married. Born to Mr and Mrs Douglas Dean (Mary Yard) a son, Douglas Dean Jr. Marian Hubbs is engaged to David Graham, Δ X; Hollis Comstock, to

Donald James Monroe; Katherine Wells, to Hollingsworth Pett.

PSI-UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN

Founders'-day proved to be a happy birthday for Psi. Madison alumnae entertained us graciously with a banquet at the house. One of our Founders, Mrs Churchill, told us the delightful story of how, thirty-six years ago, a group of six college chums petitioned the Grand council of Kappa Alpha Theta, and became the charter members of Psi. Miss Guyles made an enthusiastic toastmistress, and Mrs Harper, Mrs Hohlfeld, Mildred Rogers, and Isabel Farrington responded with clever toasts. The alumnae announced that they were to give us a pair of andirons and a fire screen, but were waiting to find the appropriate style for our fireplace. Consequently, Psi's thirty-sixth birthday was one of her happiest.

We are anxiously awaiting Prom and all its activities, especially the pre-prom play, *You and I* by James Barrie, for we are proud that the heroine is a Theta and, likewise, her maid. Evelyn Olson will play the part of Nancy White, and Mary Bishop, the comic maid, Etta. Mildred Anderson, pledge, Alice Brown, and Virginia

Sinclair are working on Prom committees.

Maxine Day graduates in February, and Martha Williamson, who has been taking graduate work, leaves too, as does Mary Harmount. We will feel the loss of these three girls. Dorothy Kimball withdrew from college at Christmas time and is missed too. We were sorry also to have Ruth Day, Lucile Kline, and Virginia Mizner leave college on account of illness; however, Ruth will return next semester.

Katherine Keebler, pledge, has been elected treasurer of Green button, an organization of freshman women.

Wisconsin is thrilled at the appointment of Dr Andrew Meiklejohn, ex-president of Amherst, to the faculty. He will take up his duties this coming semester and is expected to give some interesting courses in philosophy.

30 January 1926

Virginia Skinner

Katherine Keen's engagement to Lester Lessig has been announced. Mr Lessig is connected with the McClintick Marshall Co. of Philadelphia. Mr and Mrs Roth (Sophia Steiger) announce the birth of Frances Ann, Sept. 23, 1925.

Mr and Mrs Herbert Wing (Helen Conrad Gilman) announce the birth of Herbert Gilman Wing, Dec. 10, 1925. Address: Carlisle, Pa. Announcement is made of the engagement of Wilma Trost to Clinton Shattuck.

Helen Touzalin married Roland Funk Holloway Feb. 3.

Daphne Conover was married at Christmas time to Dr William Wells Baum. They will be at home after Feb. 1 at Marshfield, Ore.

OMEGA—UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

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ALPHA BETA-SWARTHMORE COLLEGE

Rushing has consumed any spare time we have. The only let up has been a suspension of rushing for the week of mid-semesters. Next week it starts again in a concentrated form. Each fraternity has one day during which all others remain in the background. Theta drew February 6, and expects to go to Mary Sullivan's in Jenkins Park for the afternoon and dinner, inviting only those rushees in whom we are most interested.

We plan to give our annual dance February 13. It will be a

dinner dance at the Brinton Lake country club.

I wish you all could come and pay us a visit, for we feel mighty chesty having acquired new upholstery and a new rug for the chapter room. Our only hope is that the Charleston will lose its

vogue before the pattern is quite worn off the rug.

Under college affairs we are congratulating Florence Kennedy upon making Sigma Xi; Katherine Lippincott for being elected manager of the hockey team; Florence Kennedy and Lydia Roberts for winning positions on the basketball team; and Margaret Jameson for being elected editor-in-chief of the Portfolio.

This semester's initiates, whom we were proud to welcome, are

Edna Shoemaker and Amelia Miller.

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Margaret Jameson

Born to Mr and Mrs E. A. Jenkins (Elsa Palmer) a son, Edward A.

Born to Mr and Mrs C. Osler (Mary Hull) a son, William H. Osler.

Born to Mr and Mrs William A. Clarke (Eleanor Stabler) a son, William

A. Clarke, jr.
Mr and Mrs Ralph Baker (Anna E. Gilkyson) will soon move into a new home which they are building on Front st. in Harrisburg, Pa.

ALPHA GAMMA—OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

Two more girls have been pledged, Dorothy Hyde, post gradu-

ate from Wellesley, and Katherine Geyer.

December 5, Panhellenic held its Christmas bazaar at Pomerene hall, where many colorful booths displayed their wares. We arranged a handkerchief counter to represent an old linen shop, and received a place on the Honorable mention list when awards were announced.

We held our annual Marjorie Dean pin service December 6, and Ruth Heer was chosen to wear the honorary Theta badge

during this, her sophomore year.

January 10, the first spread of the year took place at the chapter house. It was a jolly get-to-gether, our attempts to perform the Charleston adding in no small part to the gaiety of the evening.

Our Mother's club assembled at another bridge party January 19. We appreciate the interest they take in Alpha Gamma's house. Their latest gift is attractive and much needed linoleum

in the bathroom.

Betty Connelly, as a member of the freshman Dramatic society, will take part in Booth Tarkington's Trysting place.

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Florence Sellenings

Catherine Hicks is assistant to the librarian of the Yale Law School library.

Ida Parker was married Dec. 17 to Heath Dulany Davidson. Address: 1773 Massachusetts av. Washington, D. C.

Doris Flynn made us a short visit during the first week of Jan. She is living at Xenia, Ohio.

ALPHA DELTA-GOUCHER COLLEGE

We have acquired four pledges: Martha Perrill, Washington, D. C. (daughter of Charlotte Know Perrill and niece of Arda S. Knox, Beta) Ruth Robinson, Ithaca, New York; Katherine Waddell, Fort Lauerdale, Florida; Robin Smith, Wyomissing,

Pennsylvania.

The outstanding college news is the success of the endowment campaign for \$400,000, raised entirely through Goucher students and alumnae. The results of the campaign have so far exceeded even the wildest hopes that college enthusiasm is high. The largest class contribution was by the seniors, for whom Frances Hunsberger, Alpha Delta's president, was chairman.

Mary Jane Crane has been elected to the editorial board of the Goucher College weekly. Robin Smith, pledge, is song leader for the freshman class. Frances Hunsberger has been elected senior chairman for Sing song the annual interclass song contest.

January 30, several from the chapter celebrated the passing of exams by going to Washington to attend the Founders'-day luncheon given by the Washington alumnae chapter. A large number of Baltimore alumnae also attended. It was a real celebration, sixty Thetas, representing twenty chapters, being present. The luncheon, beautifully arranged, was at the Congressional Country club. Alpha Delta guests greatly enjoyed the party.

There will be a Panhellenic dance February 5. The next day Alpha Delta will leave for a week-end house-party at Forest Hills, Maryland. It will be our first this year, so is looked forward to with great excitement.

Alpha Delta has inaugurated a study-card system for pledges, with the hope of improving scholarship.

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Marion Hall

Born, Dec. 26, Donald Hoffman Curtin, son of Mr and Mrs George D. Curtin (Mary Hoffman).

ALPHA ETA-VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY

We initiated all our eleven freshmen January 16.

We had Founders'-day banquet at the Hermitage hotel. Florence Teague made an excellent toastmistress. Stella Vaughn gave the alumnae toast, Elizabeth Powell, the senior toast, Margaret Chadwick, the junior toast, and Dorothy Kirk, the sophomore toast. The freshman stunt represented a Theta convention in 1936.

Following the banquet we had a dance at Alumni Memorial hall.

Mary Heiskell, traveling secretary of the Y.W.C.A. from South America, visited Roberta Dillon Lyne in December. The Vanderbilt Y.W.C.A. gave a tea in her honor.

Elizabeth Harris and Martha Crockett are on the cast of the play to be given by the Vanderbilt players.

Dorothy Kirk, Ruth Richmond, Elizabeth Niles, Mary Elizabeth Wilson, and Matilda Treanor have been elected to membership in Co-editors, the freshman-sophomore literary club.

Our freshmen gave us two long benches for the chapter room. Another greatly appreciated present was a table cloth given us by Memphis alumnae.

Elizabeth Powell and Julia Powell are on the Vanderbilt girls' basketball team.

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Carolyn Cobb

Mr and Mrs Henry Buckner (Mary Stay) are living at Old Hickory,

The engagement of Evalina McCaulay to Josephus Daniels, jr, has been announced.

Mrs Richard Moore (Lydia Raines) of McKenzie, Tenn. was a visitor at Founders'-day banquet.

The wedding of Helen Adamson and James Handley of Tampa, Fla. will

take place in Feb.
Isabel Howell is an assistant in the library of the College of the City of

New York.

Mr and Mrs Geddes Douglas (Frances Kingree) announce the birth of a

son, James Geddes, jr.

The wedding of Vada Wilson and Major Clifford Ragsdale took place in Jan. Address: Spring Hill, Tenn.

ALPHA THETA-UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS

Thursday evening, January 28, the pledges entertained the upperclassmen with an unusually clever stunt party. freshman "took off" an upperclassman, and their dramatic

ability was surprising.

But the following Saturday was our fullest day. In the afternoon we initiated Velta Pardue of Hamlin, Margaret Clement of Waco, Dorothy Burrow of Canyon, Lucy Lee Carter of Elgin, Mary Katherine Massey of Vernon, Alice Adams of Alice, Sarah White and Nell Rowland of Fort Worth. Saturday night we had Founders'-day banquet in the Marie Antoinette room of the Stephen F. Austin hotel. Etta Gilbert made an able and charming toastmistress. Many visiting alumnae were with us, and definite plans for our new house were made. Mrs Roy Bedicheck, one of Alpha Theta's Founders, entertained us with anecdotes of the chapter's founding.

The million dollar Stadium, a memorial to the Texas soldiers of the world war, is to be completed soon. The first unit was

dedicated Thanksgiving Day, 1924.

The honor roll for the fall term included from Alpha Theta— Elizabeth Jourdan, Frances Coopwood, Dorothy Whitehurst, Dorothy Mansell, Mary Ford, Helen McNeil.

1 February 1926

Isabel Blackman

Born to Mr and Mrs P. Nash (Ann Thornton) a daughter Beverly Ann.

Maggie Clark of Corpus Christi, is ill with chicken pox, and was unable

to attend the banquet.

Out of town alumnae who returned for the banquet were Lorraine Heath of Hondo, Mary McKinley of Hamilton, Carlyle Cannady Otey and Mary Tom Osborne of San Antonio, Hallie Maud Neff of Waco, Lois Foster Blount of Nacadoches, Ada Terrell of Port Arthur, Virginia Wolfin of Galveston, Crystal Ray Ross of Lockhart, and May Belle Taylor of Como, Miss.

Thetas from other chapters who were at the banquet were Thelma Whaley, Alpha Omicron, Lulia Coopwood, Beta Beta, and Mrs Henne, Alpha

Mu.

Edith Cardwell, who transferred to Baylor-Belton at Christmas, returned

for the banquet.

Mr and Mrs Arthur L. McKnight (Frances Gillespie) and children, Tommy, Frank and Juliet, have moved from El Paso, Tex. to 120 S. Rock Hill rd. Webster Groves, Mo.

ALPHA IOTA—WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

The formal given at the Bellerive country club December 23, the last day of college, was a great success. The club was decorated in true Christmas style, with a tree in the center of the floor.

The Hatchet contest goes on in spite of exams, and the chapter is working at this as well as studying. Virginia Hayes is Theta's candidate for Queen, who is elected by popular vote of students.

Claudine Fay is a most capable campaign manager.

Washington has several new organizations: Amphion, a musical comedy club, which will produce original plays written and acted by the members: the Little theater, a dramatic club; and another literary society MSS, of which Jill Gilbert is vice-president.

Thyrsus, the oldest dramatic club on campus, gave a group of one-act plays early in December. The Thetas taking part were

Lenore Kinnaird, lead, Nancy Moore, and Helen Brod.

The chapter decided to discontinue the traditional Martha Washington tea given February 22 every year, since, owing to the growth of the university, it no longer serves the original purpose.

The new field house was opened January 15, when the basketball team played Ames and won, 30-26. The field house is a welcome substitute for the old gymnasium, where the indoor sports formerly were held. The new building seats eight thousand people and has two galleries.

Two more Thetas were pledged to Peppers, woman's pep

organization, Katherine Hafner and Jane Ewerhardt.

Elizabeth Mardorf, pledge, was elected to Freshman commission.

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Eleanor Fidler

The engagement of Katherine Milne and Irvin Fittge, A X A, Illinois, has been announced.

The engagement of Lucille Stocke and Harold Kroeger, Washington, and Columbia Law, was announced Jan. 8 at a tea given by Lucille's mother.

The party announcing the engagement of Elizabeth Lord and John Emory

Fricke of Philadelphia was a luncheon given by the bride-to-be in honor of Mrs Ida McRoberts McMath Jan. 16. The wedding will take place next fall. Mr Fricke is an alumnus of Wesleyan college.

The engagement of Mable Nichols and Ralph D'Oench, Σ A E, was

announced Dec. 26.

Louise McClelland and Harris Arnstrong were married Jan. 1. Mr Arm-

strong studied architecture at Ohio State.

The marriage of Lucy Taylor and Mark Anthony Neville, E A E, took place at the St Louis home of the bride's parents Dec. 30. Their home will be in New Brunswick, N. J.

Born to Mr and Mrs P. J. White (Maria Bain) a son, Dec. 21.
Bernice Collins Powell (Mrs Chas. S.) from Nashville, Tenn. and Marie
Davis Thomson (Mrs H. F.) from Birmingham, Ala. have been visiting in
St Louis since Christmas.

ALPHA KAPPA—ADELPHI COLLEGE

Today, January 30, we raised our heads high and happily got together to enjoy a gay Founders'-day luncheon at the Hotel Pennsylvania, New York, with Thetas representing many chapters. A dance February 12 at the Biltmore hotel for Theta's Scholarship fund was announced and advertised so that all these Thetas might

participate in another big fraternity party.

Senior week will find many of our graduates busy with their last socials of active college life. Freda Kott is on arrangements committee, Ruth Lamb is on Gift committee, Ikrima Hassan is a member of the committee for Senior tea and Grace Chardavoyne is on the committee for Class day. Hildegarde Schlobohm is in the cast for Varsity show, Shakuntala, and property manager of Pinafore which the Glee club will produce early in February. Helen Livingston and Rosemary Harding are on the Junior Prom committee. Ruth Hager is business manager of the sophomore show.

Our pledges, successfully combining pleasure with hard study, entertained the chapter at Marion Hart's home. Their delightful bridge with its handsome prizes and delicious food made for them the title of "charming young hostesses."

We are looking forward to the visit of Dorothy Wilson February 2. Alpha Kappa heartily welcomes this opportunity to meet

and greet its new District president.

Some weeks ago three girls resigned from fraternities at Adelphi. This caused the Dean, Miss Anna Harvey, to voice her opinion in regard to such societies. We were very happy to learn that she not only tolerates them but strongly approves of them as organizations for promoting high scholarship and a democratic spirit throughout the entire college.

30 January 1926

Rosemary Harding

ALPHA LAMBDA—UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

January 23 we initiated Kelso Barnett, Lydamae Davis, Mary Dawson, Eleanor Ernst, Margaret Elias, Frances Clare Furey, Elizabeth Jones, Jane Lasater, Elizabeth Lovenstein, Adele Reeves, Katherine Shyrock, Betty Sewall, Claire Taft, and Anne York. Following the ceremony we had Founders'-day banquet at the women's University club. The decorations were carried out in black and gold and one-hundred-and-fifteen Thetas were present.

Dorothy Baker sang between courses. The new initiates received as favors at their places, corsages and Theta quests. Nellie Mae Dunlap White, one of Alpha Lambda's charter members, was toastmistress. The speakers were Lydamae Davis representing the freshmen, Katherine Macrae Smith the sophomores, Margaret Dilling the juniors, Helen Kretsinger the seniors, and Beulah Smith Jones, another Alpha Lambda charter member, the alumnae.

We are all very happy to have had Suppose he sues, a play written by Marion Robb, presented at the university. Everyone enjoyed it immensely. Frances Ferry was pledged to Lambda Rho, honorary art. Helen Williams is on the Y.W.C.A. Cabinet and also is a member of the Women's athletic association executive board. Antoinnette Shyrock was elected to Theta Sigma Phi. Helen Buchanan has a part in the All-university play, Beggars on horseback.

Dean John T. Condon of the law school died recently. His place in the hearts of students will not be filled easily, because he was so admired by all and so vitally interested in all college activities.

We miss many who did not return this quarter. Emma Lou Muench has gone to travel and study music in Europe; Mary Dudley is in the east. Dorothy Baker is taking music at the Cornish school. Evelyn Cram is working in Aberdeen. Helen Kretsinger has returned from Hartford and again enrolled in college.

New Year's day, Dorothy and Olive Congor had a double wedding. Thetas in the wedding party were Betty Young, Molly Gunnell, Margaret Dilling, Helen Moran, and Elizabeth Lovenstein. The reception following the ceremony was held at the chapter house.

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Katherine Macrae Smith

ALPHA MU-UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI

At the beginning of the new semester, we pledged Barbara Brown of Kansas City, Isabel Poole of Milan, Lillian Traverse of Kirksville, and Virginia Brown of Jefferson City.

Janise Rentchler and Lois Luckhardt graduated at the end of first semester, Janise from the School of journalism and Lois from the School of education. Both were members of Mortar Board.

The pledges gave their party January 18. The house was decorated as a Spanish cabaret, and the señors of the party wore sombreros, sent from old Mexico. A bull fight was one of the features of the evening. The freshmen introduced their song by

having it the winning number of a song contest carried out in their stunt. The freshman gift, a new buffet, was given that night.

Just after Christmas we received an orthophonic Victrola,

for which we had been waiting all fall.

Work on the new stadium is progressing rapidly, being carried on night and day. We are near enough to keep in close touch with its development.

Mary Ann McDonald has recently been elected to Pi Lambda Theta. Rita Smith is in charge of the chorus for the W.A.A.

vaudeville.

Our alumnae week-end will be at the time of Founders'-day banquet, February 13. On the following day initiation will be held for pledges who made the required grades during first semester. 3 February 1926 Betsu Worrell

Gladys Carnahan and John Denman Crandall, B Θ II, were married Dec. 22 at the home of the bride's parents in Pine Bluff, Ark. They came through Columbia on their honeymoon. They are to live at 3713 Hall st. Dallas, Tex. Myrtle Stewart and Charles Van Dyne, B Θ II, were married in St Louis Dec. 10. They live at 808 W. 7th st. Sedalia, Mo.

Christine Spencer has announced her engagement to Clive Newcomb. They will be married the last of Feb. and live in New York.

Elizabeth Clauss is doing social service work among the Mexicans in Los Angeles county. Her address is 1010½ Serrano st. Los Angeles, Cal.

Dorothy Limerick is with the Provident association in St Louis. Mrs Edward G. English (Bernice Lynn) is living at 4510 Brooklyn st.

Alline Smith is a member of the board of Deans and on the faculty of Stephens college in Columbia.

Mrs Gordon Douglas (Carolyn Collins) is living at Nashua, Mo.

ALPHA NU-UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA

Alpha Nu is making a desperate attempt this quarter to attain a happy medium between the two extremes—all work and all play. She is determined to win all possible honors and at the same time have a proportionate share of the many good times to be had during winter quarter.

Every Theta and pledge who was in college last quarter is back. All are concentrating on scholarship. The element of sport even enters into this scholarship fever. There is a contest being staged between juniors and sophomores to stimulate interest in

scholarship in these two classes.

Our Founders'-day party will be a buffet supper at the house for all Theta alumnae, actives, and pledges. The program will be musical selections, a short talk on the founding of Kappa Alpha Theta, and a pledge stunt.

The pledges gave a formal dance in honor of the chapter January 23. The favors were lovely choker beads.

We are working faithfully on our act for Varsity Vodvil. Under the able management of Nan Walsh we hope to win the cup. Nan also has been elected manager of the Co-ed formal, which is always one of the best dances of the year.

Elizabeth Kilrov is president of Kappa Tau, local scholarship

fraternity.

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Glayds V. Wilson

Alumnae who returned for Home-coming, Marian Fitzpatrick, Butte; Dorothy Coleman, Deer Lodge; Eloise Baird, Spokane, Wash.; Claire Chester, Kalispell; Miriam Woodard, Bozeman; Mrs Merle Kettlewell Ruenover, Plains; and Mrs Frances Nuckolls Kelley, one of our charter members, Great

Married, Dec. 31 Ruth Gonser to Howard S. Lease, both of Great Falls. Address: Leigland apts. Great Falls. Ruth and Howard paid Alpha Nu a

Helen Fitzgibbons Harridan (Mrs J. Bryce) is living in Everett, Wash.
Alice Lease's engagement to William Gonser, Σ N, has been announced.
Married, Carrie Maclay to Ewald T. Grether. They are living in Lincoln, Nebr. where Mr Grether is an instructor in the economics department at the University of Nebraska.

Born to Mr and Mrs William Walterskirchen (Virginia McAuliffe) a son,

William Charles, Dec. 18.

Emily Maclay is an instructor in commercial subjects at the high school of

Ellensburg, Wash.
Mr and Mrs Harry Adams (Florence Armitage) are living in Missoula, as Mr Adams is the freshman coach at the university. Address: 415 E. Main

Helen Streit is returning from Constantinople after a three years' stay with her brother. She will take up kindergarten work in Detroit, Mich.

Grace Saner, former teacher in Butte high school, is teaching in Hollywood. Address: 4459 Azocado st. Hollywood, Cal.

ALPHA XI-UNIVERSITY OF OREGON

January 23 initiation, followed by a large banquet, was held for Betty Higgins, Jane Holbrook, Marjorie Isherwood, Eva McKeown, Louise Mason, Sarah Rorer, Mildred Stephens, Celia

Stoddard, Dorothy Webster, Shirley Woolman.

Campus activities have claimed a due share of attention. Constance Roth was elected to Mask and Buskin, dramatic society. Eloise Buck, Adrienne Hazard and Olga Jackson were elected to Pi Lambda Theta, educational. Olga Jackson was elected, also, to Mu Phi Epsilon, national musical. Margaret Clark is president of Dial and secretary to Pot and Quill, both literary societies. Adrienne Hazard was secretary of the high school conference. Edna Murphy has charge of refreshments for the Senior Ball. The Oregona subscription drive included Harriet Adams, Marie Schulderman, Catharine Martin and Virginia Lee Richardson. May Agile Barr was elected to the national Spanish society. Edna Murphy is a member of W.A.A. council. Eva

McKeown is chairman of the freshman committee for April Frolic

and Hazelmary Price on its junior committee.

January 27, Founders'-day was celebrated at the chapter house. The freshmen put on an exceedingly clever stunt. Their gift was a wrought iron standing lamp. We were also fortunate in receiving an exquisite cashmere shawl to be used in our living room, a gift from Margaret Rogers, alumna. Eugene alumnae club has been most generous, giving us much needed shrubbery for our lawn. Portland alumnae chapter added \$200.00 to our furniture fund, and the Theta Mothers club of Portland gave us three beautiful lamps.

Saturday, January 30, the freshmen entertained the house with a delightful dance. The decorations were grotesque and unique.

Forty couples enjoyed the affair.

The girls we welcomed back to college this term are Peggy Spencer and Hazelmary Price who attended Mills college last term, and Ruth Sensenick.

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Marie Schulderman

Married in Dec. Jeanne Elizabeth Gay and George Wesley Riddle. Address: Albany, Ore. Mr Riddle is on the faculty of Albany college.

Elizabeth Honkanen is teaching at Winlock, Wash.

The engagement of Jessie Lewis, who has been teaching in Hawaii, to Cedric Baldwin, an English plantation owner, has been announced.

Born to Mr and Mrs James Sears (Sally Cusick) a daughter, Patricia.

Margaret Beattie and Ralph Guynes of Oregon City were married in Dec.

Henryette Lawrence has accepted a position to teach at Heppner, Ore. for the remainder of the year.

Cornelia Pipes is teaching French in the university.

The engagement of Margaret Rogers of Salem has been announced.

Eleanor Eakin is studying art in Paris.

Mrs Ralph Burgess (Annamay Bronaugh) and Rebecca Ireland, both of Portland, were here for initiation.

ALPHA OMICRON-UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

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ALPHA PI-UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA

After the rush and excitement accompanying our usual Christmas party, Christmas vacation, and the Junior Prom, we have settled down to strenuous days of study and semester examinations. We can not spend all our time in study, however, as plans for Founders'-day banquet, the annual Flickertail Follies, and the Carney song contest demand much attention.

Founders'-day banquet will be held at the Hotel Dakota, January 30. Following the usual program of toasts and songs, with Inez Serumgard as toastmistress, we shall return to the chapter

house, where our patronesses and pledges will join us. Every vear we have a Theta song contest. Formerly it has been at senior breakfast in the spring; but, as Commencement week is such a busy time, we have decided to hold it on Founders'-day. Each class sings two original songs and also one old Theta song, while the patronesses act as judges and award the prizes. Following the song contest, the pledges will put on a stunt which they have so far succeeded in keeping secret from the chapter. Many alumnae have never spent a night in our new house, so this year we girls are moving out of the house the night of the banquet so that they may move in.

February 22, the date of the founding of the University of North Dakota, will mark the beginning of the drives for our halfmillion dollar memorial stadium. This first drive will be on the campus. Later drives will include the city of Grand Forks, the state, and finally the nation—perhaps working through alumni clubs. Paul Samuelson is in general charge of the drive, and he is assisted by three campus chairman, Oliver Peterson, senior class president; Harold Goldberg, one of our star athletes; and Ruth Hancock, whom we are proud to claim as a member of Alpha Pi chapter. These chairmen of the drives were chosen by a committee of six faculty members, on the basis of their ability, their accomplishments, and their popularity. Numerous committees, all of which have not been announced, will work under them. Mary Swanston and Ruth Schlaberg have been named on committees. Alpha Pi alumnae may be interested in knowing that the site for the new stadium is directly across University avenue from our chapter home.

Alpha Theta chapter of Delta Gamma has signed a contract for the building of a chapter house. The work will be begun in the spring. The house will be on University avenue two blocks west of the Theta house.

29 January 1926

Ruth Sulerud

Josephine Lynch has accepted a position as dietitian in the General hospital of Minneapolis.

Dorothy Massee is in social service work for Y.W.C.A. at Billings, Mont. Alpha Pi sympathizes with Mrs Ruth Whithed Budge on the death of her father, H. L. Whithed of Minneapolis.

The engagement of Ruth Sinclair to Lloyd Walen, Φ Δ θ, has been

Echo Turner Brennan (Mrs J. J.) of Minneapolis, recently spent a week

in Grand Forks as the guest of her parents.

Born to Mr and Mrs Willard N. Hamilton (Molly Markell) a daughter, Margaret Carol.

Born to Dr and Mrs Harold Lillibridge (Mary Gowran) of 3 S. Mayfield av. Chicago, a daughter, Mary Jean, July 25, 1925.

Married: Helen Fox to Harold Serumgard, Φ Δ Θ. Address: Devils

Lake, N. Dak.

ALPHA RHO-UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH DAKOTA

Semester examinations are over, yet Alpha Rho still demands studiousness so that her scholarship average may continue to be

first among fraternities on campus.

January 21, Upsilon Pi Chi became a chapter of Sigma Delta Chi, national journalistic fraternity; also charters of Alpha Tau Omega and Kappa Sigma have been granted to the petitioning locals, Kappa Pi Alpha and Delta Nu Omega, respectively.

By vote of students, the activity point system proposed by the honorary senior men's and women's groups was accepted

and will go into effect next fall.

Alpha Rho is well represented in dramatics, music, athletics and social affairs. Helen Olston has the character lead in The Showoff to be given by Mask and wig. Eva Leslie and Gwen Thomas have been initiated by Theta Alpha Phi, national dramatic fraternity. Margaret Reid as a member of the executive staff has charge of publicity for the sophomore play, The goose hangs high. Maxine Henry is pledged to Theta Delta Pi, local journalistic fraternity, and has been elected president of Crimson Bow. Beatrice Bogue is a charter member of Thalian literary society. Gwen Thomas is a member of the cast of the Latin play to be presented in the spring. Francelia Frary is to play the piano in the orchestra accompanying the spring opera. Elizabeth Davidson, Elizabeth Frary and Elinore Payne will play in the symphony concert for the May Festival. Elizabeth Frary made the rifle squad. Elinore Payne was elected sophomore basketball manager.

To date about one-fourth of the quota for the South Dakota Union fund has been raised, over half the student body having

subscribed.

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Grace Beede

Born to Dr and Mrs Frank Patton (Zora Nelson) a son, Thomas Nelson, Dec. 14. Address: Elkhart, Ind.
Alpha Rho sorrows with Mr and Mrs Donald Cotton (Flo Williams) in

the loss of their little son, who was fatally injured Dec. 19.

Born to Mr and Mrs Herbert Crissman (Beth Meadows) of Ipswich, a daughter.
Mrs Count Royhl (Lenore Totten) has been elected president of the

Vermillion Theta alumnae club.

The engagement of Margaret Miller to Chris Hezel, B O II, has been

announced. Married: Alice Knowles and William Pinkney Dortch, Feb. 2. Address:

Marlesgate, Kerr, Ark. Helen Beede and Robert A. Sill were married Dec. 30, at the bride's home. Address: 2812 Arlington av. Lincoln, Neb.

ALPHA SIGMA—WASHINGTON STATE COLLEGE

Alpha Sigma is proud of the new porch lantern, given us by the pledges at Christmas time. It is of wrought iron, designed especially for our home, which is Old English style.

Elmo Kennedy and Peggy Adams were initiated January 23.

We gave a Vogue dance January 16 in the chapter house. Josephine Dunning gave a solo dance and passed small violet bouttonieres to the men.

We were sorry to lose three girls at the end of this semester. Freida Carstens accepted a position in the Goldendale high school as instructor in commercial work. Janet Kennedy, who also graduated, will work in Seattle. Roberta Alexander was forced to leave college on account of poor health. Although we miss these girls, their rooms at least will be filled by pledges moving from the halls.

Jessie McMasters has been initiated by Pi Lambda Theta, economics society. Janet Kennedy and Geraldine Guertin have both played leading rôles in one act plays presented at the college.

The Sponsors were entertained by the R.O.T.C. at a banquet where each company presented its sponsor with a pin. Alpha Sigma's Sponsors are—Lois Toevs, Dorothy Gilbert, Dorothy McLeod, and Charlotte Mathews.

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Charlotte Mathews

Winona Duthie was married to Earl Weaver on New Year's day. Married: Sept. 1, Lillian Lane to Charles Kimball, jr., Σ X. Address: S. 1908 Oneida pl. Spokane, Wash.

The engagement of Helen Jones to Walter Hart, $\Sigma \Phi E$, was announced in Portland, Ore. where she has been since her return from a three year sojourn in Egypt.

Helen Hair was married to Floyd E. Marchesie, B Θ II.

Grace Troy is teaching in the high school of Sidney, Mont.

Glenna Troy is teaching in the Olympia high school. Mrs DeWitt Hoffman (Georgianne Gifford) is living in Akron, Ind. where she and her husband are editing a newspaper.

Helen Broughton has recently returned to her home in Dayton after spending several months abroad.

spending several months abroad.

Joyce Steele is instructing in the English department here and working

for her Master's degree.

Married, Aug. 27, Lelia Mason and Sanford Easson, K Σ , Wisconsin. Address: Elm Apts. Spokane, Wash.

ALPHA TAU-UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI

Letter due Feb. 1

Not here Feb. 10

ALPHA UPSILON-WASHBURN COLLEGE

Four courses are offered this semester in a new Department of American citizenship and public affairs, which was endowed last fall with a \$100,000 gift from an anonymous donner in the East.

The sixty-first anniversary of Washburn college will be celebrated

February 6.

The chapter entertained the pledges with a Christmas party at the Elk's club December 5. The pledges entertained the chapter at a dinner December 17; their musical stunt, in which they were all dolls, was delightful. At the same time they presented the house with a dining-room suite of American walnut, upholstered in dark blue leather. The chapter Christmas tree party was December 14. On Founders'-day we had a banquet at the country club.

February 1 we pledged Alice Voiland, Harriet Kercher, and

Martha Du Mars, of Topeka.

Mary Ramsey, who finished her course at the close of first semester, will be presented in a piano recital by the Washburn

school of music sometime in February.

Caston Washburn has been elected vice-president, and Katherine Mullin secretary, of the senior class. Margaret Trask has been elected secretary of the junior class, and Mary Elizabeth Kennedy vice-president of the freshman class. Margaret Trask is the new president of Helianthus literary society, and Audrey Brenn vice-president of the same organization. Alice Voiland has been made a member of the orchestra.

Jane Carey and Cornelia Adams have moved into the chapter house. Several town girls are planning to live in the house for two or three weeks during the spring.

We are looking forward to a visit from Helen Cook, president

of District V.

1 February 1926

Roberta Smith

The wedding of Lorraine Reed of Boise, Idaho, will take place at the chapter house in Feb. Lorraine was chapter president last year.

Born to Mr and Mrs Arch McKeever (Dorothy Crane) a daughter,

Mary Louetta.
Caroline Bass is teaching in junior high school, Iola, Kan. Rella Brown is staying with her parents, in Larned, Kan.

ALPHA PHI-NEWCOMB COLLEGE

Rushing and more rushing! That is all Alpha Phi is allowed to think about from one fall to the next. Our annual rushing party was a success. The scheme was Hades and the freshmen crossed the Styx (sticks) to rooms of red fire (crêpe paper) where they were entertained by various members of the Underworld. We are hoping for immediate results from the party, as pledge day is right after examinations. The faculty finally granted us freshman pledge day, making the rushing period five months instead of

Tulane is very proud of its newest department, that of Middle-

American research. With Dr Gates at the head, and Frans Blom and Oliver LaFarge making the expeditions to Central America and Mexico, it has obtained wonderful results in gathering Maya data. Dr Gates thinks he sees his way clear at last to deciphering the Maya glyphs.

January 29 was the date of our Founders'-day banquet. Marion Thompson made a lovely toastmistress. She arranged the banquet originally as a Theta birthday party. Lillian Nunn Evans and Florence Hayne came to New Orleans for the occasion. We have also been enjoying a visit from Tillie-Belle Mitchener, Alpha Delta. Goucher chapter can imagine how overjoyed we were when she announced her intention of coming to Newcomb next year.

Audrey Bate, one of our sophomores, had to leave college on account of illness in the family, but will come back next year.

Frances Shaw was among the five from Tulane elected to Theta

Alpha Phi, honorary dramatic fraternity.

Mary Sanders made the sophomore basketball team and the 'varsity squad. She is also chairman of the sophomore stunt for Gym Nite.

Muriel Wilson is sophomore reporter for the Hullabaloo, Tulane's weekly.

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Frances Shaw

Mr and Mrs F. Ralph Michel (Margaret Goodman) are living at 1548 Calhoun st. New Orleans.

Married: Helen Powe to Edward M. Godat, Dec. 28. They are to be in Atlanta for two months, and are then to make their home in Fort Worth. Katherine Hoffman Varnado (Mrs R.) is living at 4505 Prytania st. New

Elizabeth Harvey Dicks (Mrs Charles) has moved to 2605 Nashville av.

New Orleans.

Marion Jackson Simmons (Mrs Richard) is living at 1307 Valence st. New Orleans.

Frances Deupree Millard (Mrs W. H.) is living at 29th and McKinley

sts. Oklahoma City, Okla. Flavia Hereford Catoire (Mrs Oscar) is living at 470 18th av. San Fran-

cisco. Eleanor Shannon is living at 137 Lake Martin dr. Lakeland, Fla. Mabel Sivewright Lawrence (Mrs Mortimer) is living at 3207 San Carlos

st. Tampa, Fla. Born: to Rev and Mrs Donald Wattely (Hutton Laurans) a son, Dec. 12. They have moved to 7926 Elm st. New Orleans.

Lydia Schuler and Bertha Scheurmann starred on the Newcomb alumnae

basketball team, in the Alumnae-'Varsity game.

Betty Sellers Moore (Mrs Theo.) has moved to 4504 S. Jackson st. New

Maimie Sienknecht Berryman (Mrs Stuart) is living in Versailles, Ky.

ALPHA CHI-PURDUE UNIVERSITY

Alpha Chi is proud. First of all because she won the Dean Shoemaker scholarship trophy again last semester. This is the fifth time Theta has been awarded the cup, so it has now become her permanent property. Madge Huffman was elected to Theta Chi Gamma. Mary Elizabeth Skinner was judged the most outstanding girl in last year's freshman class and received a medal awarded by Omicron Nu for scholarship, personality and prominence in activities. Eunice Dorner and Karolyn Kilmer are playing leading roles in the Little theater production The whole town's talking and Ruth Rabbe and Helen Patrick also are members of the cast. Mary Chandler and Katharine Boothby were elected president and vice-president of French club. Karolyn Kilmer and Ada Hermine Beckman, pledge, were initiated into Euradelphian literary society. Mary Price, pledge, is secretary of the freshman class. Madge Huffman was chosen one of the May Queen attendant's. Mary Margaret Kern is coed editor of our university yearbook, Debris and secretary of Press club. Theta won the intersorority rifle tournament having five perfect scores. Dorothy Mohlman was elected captain of the University rifle team. Four Thetas made the Varsity team.

The Christmas spirit was carried out in the decorations for our formal dance December 18, at the Fowler hotel roof garden.

Our annual Christmas party at the chapter house December 21, was attended by active members, alumnae and our mothers. We were entertained as usual with a stunt by the pledges. Many useful gifts for the house were received and the Mother's club is having some much needed improvments made on the house.

Alpha Chi was well represented at the Founders'-day luncheon

and dance of District I, held in Indianapolis January 23.

We are sorry to lose Elizabeth Marshal and Rebecca Taylor who did not return to college second semester.

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Katherine Boothbu

Married: Dorothy May McConnell and Robert D. Frick, Φ Γ Δ. Married: Katherine Ferguson and Paul Beattie, Δ T. Address: 2008 Confederate pl. Louisville, Ky.
Married: Katherine Taylor and A. V. Conway, II K A, Nov. 28. Address:

Morganfield, Kv.

The engagement of Caroline Grant to Robert Allen Conner, Σ A E, has been announced.

Married: Frances Carr and Robert M. Deweese, E X. Address: Astor

apts. Hammond, Ind.

ALPHA PSI-LAWRENCE COLLEGE

Alpha Psi combined her Founders'-day celebration with that of her tenth birthday in the form of a reunion the last week-end of January. Initiation, made even more wonderful for the girls by the presence of returned alumnae, was held for Helen Chegwin, Jean Bell, Elizabeth Ryall, Jean Christensen, Marjorie MacArthur, and Theodora Reeve. The services were at the home of Catharine MacClaren, Saturday, January 30. Then followed the banquet at the Northern hotel. Margaret Killen Banta, District president, was toastmistress. The pansy was the underlying thought for the program; the seed, representing the Founders, Marion Worthing, the root, representing Grand council, Marie Benton Jennings; the stem, representing the Charter members, Barbara Thom; the flower, or the active chapter, Katharine Pratt; the bud, or the new initiates, Marjorie MacArthur. And most thrilling of all was a letter from Bettie Locke Hamilton! January 31, the returned alumnae were entertained at Russel Sage dormitory at dinner, and in the afternoon the alumnae chapter gave a tea at the home of Margaret Ritchie. We are more grateful every day to our alumnae chapter for their wonderful help and cooperation in everything we undertake. Alumnae who returned were: Mrs Emma Lomas Dana, Frances M. Harriman, Mrs Gertrude Detjen Jerabek, Mary Jane McComb, Helen Risdon, Florence Selmer, Mrs Olive Robinson Antes, Mrs Amy Helmer Metcalf, Mrs Naomi Owens Heymann, Gertrude Erbe, Margaret Erbe, Mrs Marie Snyder Bathke, Mrs Kathryn Nelson Matravers, Mrs Ethlynn Lindley Mouatt, Mrs Miriam Vander Bie Sampson.

Dorothy Tipler, Mary Jane McComb, and Marion Worthing were elected to the English club. Helen Melaas was initiated into

Sigma Alpha Iota, December 5.

Mary Jane McComb received her degree from the College of liberal arts at the close of the fall quarter. We are very proud to

announce her election to Phi Beta Kappa.

Three new rulings were announced by President Wriston at the end of the quarter: the ban on road houses was lifted; a permit from the faculty and parental permission must be obtained before a student may operate a car; more strict action concerning cheating will be taken.

We are very happy to introduce Anite Koehler, Medford,

pledged January 8.

Madge Helmer has returned to continue her studies at Lawrence after being in California for four months. Ruth Dickenson did not resume her work this quarter, but as she lives in Appleton we see her often.

Ruth Dunham and Helen Greenwood were initiated January

8 into Athena, literary society on the campus.

The chapter and pledges enjoyed an informal dinner at the Candle glow tea room, January 14.

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Marion Worthing

Mrs George Banta (Margaret Killen) accompanied Mrs Lebrecht on a visit to Upsilon, Psi and Alpha Psi chapters. Appleton alumnae chapter invited Alpha Psi and its pledges to a supper meeting in honor of Mrs Lebrecht.

Mrs Herbert Hackworthy (Dorothy Merrill) is living in Appleton again, and attended the January meeting, where Mrs Banta told about her trip to the N.P.C. meeting in Dallas, Tex.

Verna Keefe is teaching junior high school music in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Address: 224 N. 22d. st.

Marie Paff is teaching kindergarten in Stevens Point, Wis.

Mrs C. Kirkpatrick (Camilla Coumbe) has returned to her home in

Richland Center, Wis. after spending a month in Fla.

Mr and Mrs E. J. Lachmann, East Forest av. Neenah, Wis. announce the engagement of their daughter, Ruth Catharine, to Hugh James Falvey, Chicago, son of Capt. J. J. Falvey. The wedding will take place in June.

Esther Nelson is teaching music in Mt Pleasant, Mich.

Catherine Cheverton is teaching in Big Rapids, Mich. Mr and Mrs Torrence Phelps (Elsie Fisk) are living in Kalamazoo, Mich.

Dorothy Clark is managing a tea room in Fla.

Mr and Mrs S. B. Heymann (Naomi Owens) will spend the next two months in Calif. where they will visit Dr and Mrs Tom Lake (Bess Fisk) in

Born to Mr and Mrs Charles Hooley (Mabel Cass) a daughter, Anne Lorraine, Dec. 14.

ALPHA OMEGA-UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH

Now comes rushing! From February 12 to February 20 we will put forth our best efforts and hope to be rewarded with success. February 14 we plan to entertain all women of the University of Pittsburgh, both students and professors, at a tea at the chapter house. This is an experiment this year, but we hope it may become an institution if a success.

Alpha Omega announces the pledging of Dorothy Koch, sophomore. Dorothy is a member of the girls varsity basketball squad, and on the sophomore class teams of both hockey and basketball; secretary of the Women's athletic association and on its board; also vice-president of Cwens, sophomore fraternity.

We are also happy to announce additional honors. Kathryn Rowell and Katherine Power have been elected to Qwill, national literary society. Martha Miller is on the Senior Ball committee.

January 30 was selected for the celebration of Founders'-day by Pittsburgh alumnae chapter. There was a luncheon at the Fort Pitt hotel, with talks cleverly given as fictitious telephone conversations. Various Thetas, real and otherwise, called, asking questions which the speakers answered. Miss Mary Porter Boss, Alpha Delta, was toastmistress, while Miss Ruth Townley, Mu, told all the news of Pittsburgh Thetas. Miss Adeline Anger. Alpha Omega, told of the financial affairs of Pittsburgh alumnae chapter and of its activities this year. Miss Eliza Jane Reynolds. Alpha Omega senior, explained what the chapter has been doing lately, and the plans for rushing. Mrs W. H. Pratt, Mu, the final

speaker, gave a toast to Kappa Alpha Theta, and to the "four brave girls" who were responsible for its existence.

30 January 1926

Edith Endsley

Announcement has been made of the following engagements: Adeline Anger, to Marshall Rae, Φ Δ Θ; Elizabeth Dutney to Patt Corr; Claudia Chambers to David Miller.

Born to Mr and Mrs William Winters (Florence Skinner) now living in

San Francisco, Cal. a son.

Born to Mr and Mrs J. C. Woodson (Eula Tice) a daughter.

Born, Jan. 9, to Mr and Mrs L. H. McCandless (Elizabeth Elkins), a son. Address: 471 Bevely rd. Milwaukee, Wis.

Mr and Mrs Herman Sobeck (Rhoda Koenig) have returned to their home in Granite City, St Louis co, Ill. Mrs Sobeck has been at her Mother's home in Pittsburgh, recuperating from a serious operation.

Born, Dec. 6, Louis Sayers, son of Dr and Mrs L. M. Mitchell (Harriet

Savers).

Recent out-of-town Theta guests have been Mrs Dorothy Lenhart Arnold of Toledo, and Dr Matilda Moldenhauer Brooks who is doing research

work in Bermuda.

Gretchen Buske Replogle (Mrs A. M.) had charge of the booth sales of Christmas health seals for the entire Pittsburgh district, and carried on a most successful campaign. Pittsburgh alumnae aided her by taking charge of the sale of seals in the Northside post office.

Our deepest sympathy is extended to Catherine Nau because of the

death of her sister Dorothea, also a Theta.

BETA BETA-RANDOLPH-MACON WOMAN'S COLLEGE

Letter due Feb. 1

Not here Feb. 10

BETA GAMMA—COLORADO STATE COLLEGE

Through the orgies of spring house-cleaning and probation week during which time a great variety of bibs were in evidence, ten pledges arrived at initiation February 7. Initiates-Katherine Abbott, Gretchen Brown, Virginia Curry, Norma Curtis, Alma Marsh, Ruth McCormick, Fern Newsom, Alice Robinson, Louise Thomasson, and Mabel Watson. The initiation banquet was held at the tea room.

One of our anticipated pleasures is a visit from Helen Cook,

District president, sometime in February.

The chapter found the house transformed into a hotel with Christmas decorations December 17 for the Katsup. French maids, a bell hop, and waiters effected realism. Dances and songs filled the spaces between dinner courses.

Intersorority dance broke the gloom of finals in January. It was a dream dance with cut mirrors on a hugh hanging ball reflecting colored lights. Margaret Graham and Dorothy Spencer were on the committee for this dance. February 11 Beta Gamma gave a house dance.

But the chapter has also its serious moments. Mrs T. R. Blevens, Alpha Upsilon, lead discussions on problems of campus life. Margery Ardrey was initiated by Omicron Nu. Martha Fish Melcher was in the February dramatic club play Mary the third. Thelma Bartholomew is on the Junior Prom committee. Debating

has claimed Janet Keating's efforts.

From February 11 through February 13 representatives of the Associated women's students of nine schools in Colorado and Wyoming met here. The convention started with a pageant in which Alice Robinson and Janet Keating had leading parts and Fern Newson danced. On Friday problems confronting college women were discussed. In the afternoon there was a tea, and afterwards a dinner and dance. A splash party in the pool and a feature luncheon were included in Saturday's activities. Margaret Graham had charge of the entire convention. Four of the delegates were entertained at the Theta house.

Billie Black is attending Denver university this semester and Ruth Spencer has gone to the University of Southern California. Gladus Mott 28 January 1926

Born: To Mr and Mrs Webster Ballinger (Virginia Jurgens) a daughter, Margaret Virginia, Jan. 17. Address: 112 E. 67th st. Los Angeles, Cal. Margaret Virginia, Jan. 17. Address: 112 E. 67th St. Los Angeles, Car.
Margaret House, who recently has received an appointment as head of
the chemistry department in the College of industrial arts at Denton, Tex.
returned to her home in Fort Collins for Christmas vacation.
Mrs Lowrie (Alice Bumstead, Delta) visited the house Jan. 27 when
she happened to be going through Fort Collins.

Marie Bass Foy is tauching at Survise. Wro.

Marie Bess Fox is teaching at Sunrise, Wyo. Esther Alice Green, Alpha, came to the house after playing in a concert Mrs Elva Mae Fisher Strickland is recovering from a serious illness.

BETA DELTA-UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA

The chapter was greatly honored this month by a visit from the District president, Mrs Edna Wilde Brooks. She not only gave us much joy, for we learned to love her before many hours had passed, but she was also a source of great help. Among the social affairs she attended was a Panhellenic dinner at the Old Pueblo club given by the Dean of women, Ana P. Cooper, an alumnae luncheon at the Old Pueblo club, and a tea at the chapter house both in her honor, and the Founders'-day banquet at the Santa Rita hotel.

Another national fraternity will be installed here soon, the local Delta Delta having been granted a charter by Alpha Phi.

Just before Christmas Dorothy Smith was called to Washington, D. C., by the death of her father. She has returned to continue her work. Margaret Bayless, who for the past semester has been attending the University of California has returned and will graduate in June.

During Christmas our dog Cherry Koch was lost. As yet we have found no trace of him.

Just before Christmas we gave a Spanish dance. Everything which would add to the atmosphere of a Spanish dance hall was used. Big Spanish hats and sashes were the favors. In the course of the evening soda pop, tamales and coffee were served.

Our scholarship rating on the last list was second. The rating

for the semester will be out after examinations.

26 January 1926 Mary Frances Munds

Married: Mary Estill and George Thornhill Caldwell, K Σ. Address: Box 51, University station.

Luella Campbell, who finished college this semester, was married to John Barber Duerson, K z, Nov. 29 in Phoenix, Ariz. Address: 2606 N. Central st.

Lillian Clark and Thomas Vinson, S A E, were married Jan. 23 in Warren,

Ariz. Address: Euclid and 1st av. Tucson, Ariz.

Hazel Whitney Beatty, 2720 116th st. Sawtelle, Cal. and Alice Lawson

are the new officers of the so-called Beta Delta club in Los Angeles.

Beartha Renaud Koch has been visiting her parents in Pearse, Ariz. Clyde Salmon Lockie was here for a short visit during Thanksgiving vacation. Her new address is 4227 S. Hoover st. Apt. 10, Los Angeles Cal. Edith Burtis and Jane Christy were also here just before Christmas. Mary Catlin returned with the girls after vacation and left for Carpenteria, Cal. Jan. 22.

Josephine Brady O'Rielly has been acting as pledge instructor.

BETA EPSILON-OREGON STATE COLLEGE

Open house was held December 4 for the first time in two years. Each women's house on the campus entertained 12 groups of men during the evening from 7 to 11.

Just before the holidays we had a Christmas tree party. After the fun of exchanging little remembrances, we were surprised to find by the Christmas tree a lovely rocking chair, a present from the freshmen.

We were pleasantly surprised to receive from Portland alumnae a \$200 check for our building fund.

Geraldine Thompson of Long Beach was pledged January 10. Sophia Shelk is back after being away two terms. Beatrice Lockwood has returned from the University of California.

Doris Martin is continuing her position on the Barometer staff. Eleanor Scott is one of the representatives on our college annual, The beaver, and a member of the campus luncheon committee for campus week-end the latter part of May. Alberta Grilley has been named on the debate team for the sophomore class. Mary Bracher has been chosen for the rifle team. Eleanor Eakins is a member of the staff of the Orange Owl, college humor.

We are planning to have Founders'-day celebration January 31 so more of our alumnae can be with us. This year they are starting something new by having a reunion during the week-end of January 30 and 31. Memories of pledge days will be recalled when the freshmen give their annual stunt show that Saturday evening. Sallie Rogers 25 January 1926

Born to Mr and Mrs Henry Fish (Caroline Wright) a daughter, Nov. 29. Mrs Gus Denman (Miriam Cromwell) is now living at 3927 N. Gove st. Tacoma, Wash. Last summer she was married to Gus Denman of Tacoma, K Σ and a graduate of OAC.

Alumnae at our Christmas party were Mrs Immogene Pemberton Merserve, Mrs Dorothy Cram Monroe, Mrs Marie Mendenhall Keene, Mrs Alice Cornwall Kadderly.

BETA ZETA-OKLAHOMA STATE COLLEGE

Letter due Feb. 1

Not here Feb. 10

BETA ETA-UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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BETA THETA-UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO

Christmas season was more than usually enjoyable. annual bazaar was more of a success financially than in former years—it netted us \$161.00 for the Scholarship fund. December 6, the pledges were our hostesses at a breakfast at the Blue Bucket inn. The table was most attractively decorated with poinsettias and holly. For entertainment there was a clever and original song sung by its composers.

Idaho has a Christmas tradition appropriate to the Yuletide spirit. This is the adornment of an outstanding, centrally located tree on the campus with colored electric lamps, around which the

students gather in the evenings to sing carols.

A chapter custom is equally enjoyed—the Christmas party. This year the house was transformed into a cabaret, called The eagle's nest, presided over by four sleek, tuxedo-attired serving men. The dinner, prepared by the sophomores, left nothing to be desired, while the number and variety of freshman vaudeville acts were appreciated by all present. Finally, the appearance of Santa Claus himself, laden with gifts for Theta girls was a fitting conclusion to one of the best evenings of the year.

Henrietta McConaghy has been elected president of Spurs, national organization of sophomore women. Mildred Warnke is president of Sigma Delta Pi, national Spanish fraternity, recently installed at this university. Ruth Chapman is editor for women's activities on the Argonaut, university newspaper, for which Bernice Suppiger is society editor and Shirley Miller her assistant. Shirley Miller has had some writings published in Blue Bucket, our literary magazine. Margaret Dickinson, Bernadine Hasfurther and Bernice Suppiger have been appointed on junior week committees.

Founders'-day was celebrated January 27 with a banquet at the chapter house. A brief ceremony preceded the dinner when four candles were lighted in succession as the Founders' names were called, then every one arose, each bearing a small candle, and pledged a toast to Theta.

1 February 1926

Maire Hogenson

Gladys Perry's engagement to Atkin Harrelson of Rutherfordton, N. C. has been announced.

Mabel Paterka visited the chapter house Jan. 28.

BETA IOTA-UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO

Hidden talents of pledges came to light November 14 at the annual Katsup following Thanksgiving dinner. The program consisted of Pledge frolic; Charm of Spain, Smoke Dreams; and Freshie. The costumes and songs were so clever that the last act won a place in the Woman's league vaudeville given before all the women of the university (and any men who could slip in). A beautiful floor lamp was the gift from the pledges to the house.

The Vaudeville reminds me of the Booster's club operetta in which Florence Northcutt and Virginia Sleeper have parts. It is called *Evolutin Evelyn*, is based on the Charleston, and was written by the director, Professor Francis Wolle of this university.

The decorations for our pledge dance were large baskets of flowers and the programs were in the shape and colors of a pledge pin. The chapter enjoyed one lazy morning in December, when the freshmen served the annual pledge breakfast. Before diving into final week, we had our Christmas party at which we received several lovely gifts from alumnae; a silver pitcher from those in Denver, and from those in Boulder a dozen plates with cups and saucers to match the set which they started a year ago, and a silk pillow in Theta colors from Edith Marsh.

We are glad that Mrs Kimbrough, our house mother, has returned from a vacation in the south. Rose Isnsee, Erna Beardsley and Ellen Keating did not return after Christmas.

We have a new pledge, Frances Buchanan of Denver. January 17 we held initiation for Evelyn Balman, Merle Smith, Carol Case, Nancy Pleasants, Donna Maye Rickle, Margaret Copley, Eleanor Stewart, Dorothy Ford, Dorris Fitzell and Betty Merrick, after which there was a fireside hour at the chapter house.

22 January 1926

Lucille Phillips

Born to Mr and Mrs Kenneth Shaw (Margaret McIntosh) a daughter, Margaret Helen.

BETA KAPPA—DRAKE UNIVERSITY

Beta Kappa was honored with a visit from Miss L. Pearle Green. We were pleased to have her with us on Founders'-day when she could see all the alumnae, actives and pledges in a body. There was a tea in her honor at the house on Sunday afternoon, with two Panhellenic delegates invited from each fraternity on campus. We were much interested in the news Miss Green brought us of other chapters of Kappa Alpha Theta, and are sincerely looking forward to a return visit.

As usual Beta Kappa is not without honors in the university. Virginia Fitzhugh, pledge, was elected to the Musical comedy board, making a total of five Theta's on the board. Ila Harris was initiated into Nu Rho Psi, psychology fraternity. Beth Shawver has one of the leads in a dramatic-art play, The girl with the green eyes. Dorothy Wright was initiated into Sigma Tau

Delta, national English fraternity.

The chapter house was presented by Professor Lewis Worthington Smith and his wife with Ships in port, In the furrow, The English tongue and other poems, and The lamp of Heaven, books of poetry written by Professor Smith, and a Chinese play written by Mrs Smith.

February 6 the chapter will have its annual formal dinner-dance at the Hotel Savery. The social committee has many wonderful plans for the dance which we feel will be as always a great success.

Beta Kappa and Des Moines alumnae celebrated Founders'-day at the Younker's tea rooms. After the dinner Miss Green and others of the chapter, talked on the founding of Theta and her ideals.

26 January 1925

Therese Carpenter

Helen Cupps is spending the winter in Corpus Christi, Tex. Address: 1012 3d st.

Maxine Mather Craddock visited here over the holidays. Address: Dyersburg, Tenn.

BETA LAMBDA-COLLEGE OF WILLIAM AND MARY

The new term started February 1, all of us returning from a

few days vacation.

Initiation will take place February 27. We are planning a big alumnae week-end, to include a tea and a banquet, and are sending out letters inviting all of our alumnae. We were delighted to hear from Dorothy Wilson, our District president, that she may be able to visit us at that time.

Mary Fairfax Griffith recently was elected House president of the Boundary.

The Dramatic club play *The Amazons* was presented in December and will be repeated in February. Kitty Myrick and Maxwell Brochenborough took part in the production.

The Virginia Gazette, the first newspaper in the United States, has been revived through the efforts of the School of journalism here. The subscription list is already quite large and it is expected to become one of the leading state papers. The Gazette "scooped" the Declaration of Independence, being the first paper to print it.

Dr Iva Peters, professor at Goucher and an alumna of Chi, is again offering her course here in Vocational guidance for women.

The Journalism building which has been reconstructed is now ready for occupancy.

Several freshman girls entering for the spring term seem interesting, and we hope may prove to be Theta material.

1 February 1926

Kitty Myrick

BETA MU-UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA

For the third successive time Beta Mu ranks first in scholarship among national fraternities on the Nevada campus. The girls who made the honor roll are Gilberta Turner, Florence Billinghurst, Margaret Hill and Freda Humphrey.

Yvonne DeGolia, Marion Deremer, and Marion Wellendorf did not return this semester. Yvonne sailed for the Hawaiian Islands January 9.

Volley ball season ended with last semester. Isabel Loring, Mae Bernasconi, Frances Humphrey, Muriel Conway, Nevada Pedroli, and Gertrude Wyckoff made their class teams. Mae Bernasconi has been appointed manager of hikes to succeed Isabel Loring who has been appointed assistant rifle manager.

At the last class elections Margaret Hill was elected secretary of the junior class, and Donna Dove was elected vice-president of the sophomore class.

In December the pledges entertained the chapter with a stunt party and buffet supper at the house. After the stunts Santa Claus distributed gifts to the house and funny gifts to all the girls.

Dorothy Ward is president of Delta Alpha Epsilon, English honor society. Isabel Loring has been elected secretary of Campus players, a dramatic club.

January 9, we gave a formal tea to announce the betrothal of Esther Summerfield to Mr Harold Myers of Sacramento, California.

Blanche Wyckoff, Esther Summerfield, and Margaret Morrow are on the staff of *Artemesia*, the annual.

The rushing season of three weeks has just ended. January 22 we had a Hindu tea in honor of our rushees. The rooms were decorated in oriental fashion, and Princess Theta, in Hindu costume, presided as hostess. January 25 we pledged Henrietta Schwab of Eureka, California, and Cecilia Sullivan of Los Gatos, California.

25 January 1926

Lucile Summerfield

BETA NU-FLORIDA STATE COLLEGE FOR WOMEN

Florida State has been handicapped by the lack of an auditorium this year, as ours is being enlarged. When Percy Grainger gave his concert as part of our Artist's series, it had to be in the high school auditorium.

As to our pledges: Elizabeth Fairchild was elected treasurer of the freshman class; Mary Anderson was tapped for freshman Cabinet of Y.W.C.A.; Edna Wendel belongs to the Glee club; Martha Jones was elected freshman representative on the point system committee.

December 7 we pledged Alleyne Monroe, junior from Tampa, and Edna Wendel, cousin of Mildred, sophomore from Orlando.

Dean Kerr had a Christmas party for the seniors after light flash in the Atrium the Wednesday before the holidays. The night before vacation, the seniors, capped and gowned, carolled to the college authorities.

We had our Christmas party the night before we left. It was the first big party we have had in the house. As a Christmas gift to the house, we put the money we would have spent on individual gifts in one fund to have our living room, study, and hall floors, and the stairs, done over. Among the gifts we received were two dozen lovely tea napkins from Atlanta alumnae.

Because of semester exams we could not have our Founders'-day celebration until Saturday night, January 30. Although it rained, as seems usual for Founders'-day (and Tallahassee) we got down to the Cherokee hotel safely and had a delightful banquet. We made our toasts to pins, each class being considered a different kind of pin.

Kathleen Weaver of Perry, Florida, has returned to college for the second semester. She was absent the first semester on account of her mother's illness.

1 February 1926

Marian Watkins

Grace Hansen is teaching at Uplands, Neb.

Flo Springer, Elsie Mayer, and Ruth Rigby all of Miami, are working in real estate offices.

BETA XI-UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SOUTHERN BRANCH

During December the chapter interested itself in Christmas work. The pledges made Christmas stockings for poor children, and the chapter filled ten boxes of gifts for disabled veterans. Through donations a poor family was supplied with its holiday dinner. December 10 we presented our pledges at a tea given at the chapter house; Mrs Brooks, District president, assisted in receiving the guests. We were happy to add Carita Miller of Pasadena to our group of pledges December 15. Our yearly Father's supper came December 16. After supper, served by the pledges, the guests of honor were shown the many improvements we have made in the house since their last visit.

The evening of December 18 the chapter attended en masse a formal dance given by the pledges at the home of Marguerite Corwin. The party was a great success, and the pledges deserve much credit for their able management.

Just before Christmas vacation the chapter house was the recipient of numerous lovely gifts from alumnae, pledges and members. A silver service set has been started, to which we can add from time to time.

The chapter was the guest of its Advisory board January 11, enjoying a delightful buffet supper. Fern Bouck (former chapter president) chose this occasion to announce her engagement to Ray Elmore, graduate of the California Institute of technology.

The evening of January 30 found Los Angeles and Pasadena alumnae chapters with Omicron and Beta Xi college chapters celebrating Founders'-day with a banquet at the Vista Del Arroyo hotel in Pasadena. Each group gave its favorite Theta songs. Beta Xi anticipated the occasion for some time, as it marked its first participation in an established Theta custom.

Snow and the mountains were the chief attractions January 31, when our annual house party carried us to Mt. Baldy for two days of fun.

Southern Branch has had a most successful basketball season. We are proud of the fact that, among other defeated teams are, Stanford, Montana and the Oregon Aggies.

Spring rushing ends the first week of the new semester. For preliminary rushing we gave our first open house, Sunday after-

noon, January 17.

Phi Kappa Sigma recently granted a charter to Kappa Phi Delta, local organization on this campus.

30 January 1926

Meryl Stateler

Dec. $10~\mathrm{Mrs}$ R. K. Wilson gave a tea at her home in Santa Monica for Mr and Mrs George Elkins (Anite Wilson).

BELATED CHAPTER NEWS

Since this issue is late because of illness among the print shop staff, snow-blocked mails, lost proofs, and the lack of the customary three last days of the month in February, it has become possible to include here four of the seven chapter letters that were missing when the magazine went to press, as per its schedule.

These are published—through no consideration for the procrastinating editors, but through consideration for the alumnae desire for chapter news. May they give enough news to repay the loss of time and money such last minute insertions

cause in office and shop!

TAU—NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY

(Received Feb. 17)

First of importance, Founders'-day which received recognition with a delightful luncheon January 16 at the Edgewater beach hotel. The program, an address by the chairman of the Founders'-day committee; reminiscenses, When the Kite began to fly, Genevieve Forbes Herrick; vocal solos, Helen Hedges; a stunt, Tau. The latter was the very latest in terpsichorean art—the Charleston, in which Laura Lenfesty, Dorothy Schulze, Georgine Raithel, and Arlene Fischer proved themselves past masters in this most intricate of dances.

The pledges entertained the chapter January 12 with a winter sports party at Skokie country club. Skating on a pond of shimmery glass—whirring through the crisp air on a breath-taking tobboggan ride—trudging back to the club-house for delicious food—were all included in this best of pledge

parties.

Panhellenic has introduced a new system of rushing for the middle of the year, very similar to the fall rushing season. After three rushing parties, February 9, 10, and 11, we pledged Millicent Dillon, Beatrice Witeman, and Jane Carleton. We consider outselves most fortunate. Although February has brought us these three girls, it has also lost us three girls. Dorothy Doublas is leaving at the end of March to enter the Horticultural School in Amber, Pennsylvania. Dorothy holds landscape gardening as her goal. Elizabeth Myers, because of illness in her home, will not return until next fall. Margaret Jarvis is to spend the remainder of the winter in California.

Our Formal was a brilliant affair. We entertained at a dinner-dance February 13 at the Belden hotel. Great credit is due our Social chairman, Georgine Raithel.

All thoughts and efforts are now being turned toward the try-outs for the Women's athletic association show. Many are the fair aspirants in our chapter—so—success to the all.

15 February 1926

Arlene Fischer

OMEGA-UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

(Received Feb. 23)

During the first part of Spring semester, Omega has been busy with many activities. January 23, Founders'-day was celebrated with a luncheon at the Clift hotel, in San Francisco. We are proud that Omega was represented by twenty active members.

Catherine Ditzler, Frances Boyd, Marcia Hudnut, Deborah Bixby, are serving on Prytenean theater committees, and Georgiana Gerlinger is chairman of the Reception committee. Alice Henderson is secretary of Women's council. Antoinette Gilman is chairman of the freshman intersorority dance committee. Dorothy Coburn is serving on the sophomore intersorority sophomore committee. Janie Harris has been elected a member of Torch and shield, women's honor society. Marian Miller, Mary Elizabeth Clark, and Emma Brescia, are in the cast of the Parthenia, the annual play given by the women.

As a result of a successful rushing season, we have three pledges, Eleanor Wayman, Hazel Kay, and Ruth Schneider. January 24, we initiated Marian Miller, Deborah Bixby, Barbara Wyckoff, Margaret Martin, Mary Elizabeth Clark, Olive Brann, and Antoinette Gilman.

It might interest other chapters to know that we have Sunday suppers, to which the girls invite their gentlemen friends, and that they have been the source of much fun.

12 February 1926

Emma Brescia

Ruth Younger is leaving for Europe in Mar.

Irene Bangs Barton, who has returned from China after 15 years' absence, attended initiation.

Elizabeth Boyd will marry James Owen Orr, Feb. 27.

ALPHA OMICRON—UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA (Received Feb. 13)

Our chapter felt quite honored to have Miss L. Pearle Green with us for a few days visit on her way back from the Panhellenic congress at Dallas, Texas. Of course some of the alumnae already knew Miss Green, having met her the last time she was here, but for those who had not met her before, she was all that we had expected and more. Her pleasing personality won her many new friends and we sincerely hope that she will come back to see us in the near future.

January 14 we gave a tea honoring Miss Green, to which we invited Miss Miriam Gerlach, Dean of women, Mrs W. B. Bizzell, wife of the President of our university, all the housemothers, and a representative from each chapter on the campus. The Norman alumnae gave a lovely tea for Miss Green at the home of Mrs Bennie Owen, and the Oklahoma City alumnae also entertained for her with a luncheon.

On the evening of January 30, our Founders'-day banquet was at the Oklahoma City club in Oklahoma City. This is always one of the most important events of the year, when Beta Zeta and Alpha Omicron chapters and alumnae from all over the state of Oklahoma reunite for one evening of sincere and truest recognition of beloved Theta. The program for the evening consisted of a short talk by Mrs Fred Shaw on plans for our national convention, and readings by Helen Hayes. A trio composed of Peggy Stephenson, Louise Bosworth, and Irene Croom, all of Alpha Omicron, entertained with several vocal numbers. The banquet was a delightful affair and every one enjoyed it immensely.

On February 10, we were very happy to pledge Peggy Swinford from Norman.

We are very eagerly looking forward to our Mothers' house party which will be March 12 to 14. Many interesting plans

have been made for the Oklahoma Interscholastic meet to be held here during the latter part of April.

We are glad to have Betty Davis back in college this semester.

10 February 1926

Dorothy Baugh

Born: to Mr and Mrs C. E. Olander (Lenore Barnes) a son.

Born: to Mr and Mrs Dave Hillis (Olive Robertson) a son, Dave, Jr.

Married: Dorothy Taylor to Mr Coler Yoakam, Jan. 28.

BETA ETA-UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA

(Received Feb. 23)

Beta Eta is glad that mid-year examinations are finished, but is sorry that graduation took three of our girls, Edith Summerfield, chapter president, Barbara Gardy, and Carol Cummings. Edith has recently been appointed secretary to our new Directress of women, Miss H. Jean Crawford, who comes here from Vassar college. We entertained for Miss Crawford at tea, on February 12.

During the recent examinations, our new honor code was given its first real test, and the general opinion seems to be that the plan worked successfully.

Carol Cummings was initiated into Mortar Board recently. Dorothy Galloway was elected to Pi Mu Epsilon, mathematical fraternity. January 11 Sarah Serson, assistant instructor in the Physical education department and a graduate student, was initiated. February 19, we pledged Ethel Jones, who has sophomore standing, and is a prominent member of the varsity basketball team. Initiation for our freshmen will be February 27.

We were delighted to have as our guest for two days, our District president, Miss Dorothy Wilson. We feel that we were afforded an unusual opportunity to know Miss Wilson personally, and to gain many helpful ideas for the chapter.

For three days, March 5 to 7, the Y.W.C.A. plans to hold a general conference for the discussion of student interests and problems. Other near-by colleges have been invited to send delegates. The speakers are men and women of importance.

Pennsylvania was very happy to conquer Temple university in the first basketball contest of the season. Dorothy Schoell, captain, starred at center, Ethel Rumpp at guard and Ethel Jones was forward. We have been pleased to have many guests during the year from other chapters, among them Frances Stone of Lambda, Katherine Whitehill and Katherine Reilly of Iota, Frances Harnell and Esther White of Alpha Beta who spent the entire first semester at Pennsylvania.

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Kappa Alpha Theta National Convention

SAN FRANCISCO July First, 1926

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CLEVELAND ALUMNÆ, sometime during second week each month. Call Mrs Frank L. Scott, jr. Phone: Fairmont 5085 J.

DALLAS ALUMNÆ, last Tuesday each month. Call Mrs T. E. Swim. Phone: U 4945.

DES MOINES ALUMNÆ, first Saturday each month. Call Mrs Edgar Brown. Phone: Market 1596.

DETROIT ALUMNÆ, luncheon first Saturday each month, 12 m. Women's City club. Monthly social meetings, call Mrs Fred Broock, 2526 Calvert av.

GREENCASTLE ALUMNÆ, third Saturday each month. Call Mrs J. P. Allen, jr.

ITHACA ALUMNÆ, third week each month. Call Anna L. Payne. Phone: 4998.

KANSAS CITY ALUMNÆ, luncheon first Saturday each month, 1 P. M. Call Mrs H. L. Mantz. Phone: Linwood 6810.

NASHVILLE ALUMNÆ, second and fourth Tuesdays, Theta house, 305 24th av. S. Supper with meeting following.

PASADENA ALUMNÆ, second Monday each month. Call Mrs H. A. Finch. Phone: Wakefield 5966.

PITTSBURGH ALUMNÆ, third Saturday each month, 2:30 p. m. Theta house, 409 Neville st.

PROVIDENCE ALUMNÆ, third Tuesday each month, 7:30 P. M. Call Martha Watt. Phone: Broad 2915 J.

SAN FRANCISCO ALUMNÆ, Business meetings first Tuesday each month 2:30 p. m. Omega house, 2723 Durant av. Berkeley, Cal.

SEATTLE ALUMNÆ, first Monday each month. Call Mrs A. J. Quigley, 3049 E. Laurelhurst dr.

SYRACUSE ALUMNÆ, monthly. Call Helen J. Wright, 1000 W. Onondaga st.

TACOMA ALUMNÆ, luncheon, second Saturday each month. Call Mrs Augustus Denman. Phone: Proctor 3216 J.

TOPEKA ALUMNÆ, luncheon, first Saturday each month. For place phone No. 26102, Mrs David Neiswanger, 1300 College av.

TWIN CITIES ALUMNÆ, second Tuesday each month, 6 P. M. Theta house, 314 10th av. S. E.

WASHINGTON ALUMNÆ, luncheon, first Tuesday each month at A.A.U.W. club, 1634 Eye st. N. W. 12:30 P. M.

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